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PREFACE

In keeping with the dictum of Thiruvalluvar that it is the duty of a King to gain wealth, store it, conserve it and spend it for the people's welfare, the Government headed by the Hon'ble Chief Minister is working with the welfare of the people of Tamil Nadu as its main objective.

MuthamizhArignarKalaignar said, "Hard work, hard work and hard work – That is Stalin". Accordingly, the Hon'ble Chief Minister, through his resolute actions, is constantly working towards the bright future of the State. The schemes implemented by the Government of Tamil Nadu under the leadership of the Hon'ble Chief Minister have been compiled into a special issue titled "Fulfilling the Dreams of Every Tamil – Sustained journey towards all round growth...".

From the day he took office, the Hon'ble Chief Minister has been efficiently stewarding the Government by executing various schemes and implementing them by setting seven great objectives for a prosperous and egalitarian Tamil Nadu, namely, increasing opportunities for growth, making for the happiness of farmers, supplying people with sufficient water, providing high quality education and medical treatment to all, working for smart cities, and ensuring excellent rural infrastructure and standard of living.

The significant schemes implemented by the Government of Tamil Nadu in the past one year have been compiled in this special publication, department-wise. This is a happy moment for me to express my congratulations to all the officials and staff of the Information and Public Relations Department who have worked to put together this special volume.

I affectionately call upon everyone to read this and benefit from it.

Yours,

24/5/2022

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Our Hon'ble Chief Minister reigns as an hero without parallel of all sections of society. He fills their hearts by improving the lives of people through great deeds which are in consonance with the dictum of the Thirukkural that if a person is strong and resolute, all his actions will bear the intended fruit.

I congratulate the officials of the Information & Public Relations Department who have put in great effort to bring out this special souvenir.

I am sure that people will be benefitted immensely by going through this volume.

23/5/2022

(Mahesan Kasirajan)

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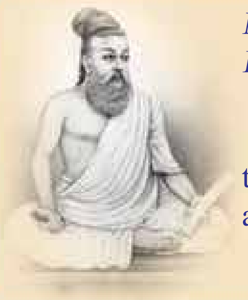

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The ruler who governs justly and protects the people will be considered by them as a leader among men.

- From Kalaignar's commentary on the Kural.

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Muthamizh Arignar Kalaignar's birthday to be celebrated as Government function

"O people of Tamil Nadu! O people of Tamil Nadu. If you were to throw me into the sea, I will float like a catamaran; You can get upon me and sail, I will not overturn!

If you throw me into the fire I will only turn into firewood to light up the oven for you to cook and eat your food!

If you dash me against a rock I will split into bits like a votive coconut and you can collect the pieces and have your fill" – these golden lines were not mere words of the author but the living truths of his life. The author is none other than Muthamizh Arignar, Thamizhina Thalaivar, Anjuga Selvar Kalaignar who, after making men of us, rests by the side of his beloved Anna on the shores of the Bay of Bengal even as the sweet breeze wafts past, witnessing the happiness of Tamil society.

He was the only one person who won all the elections he contested – from 1957 to 2016. In 1957, Kulithalai, 1962 – Thanjavur, 1967 and 1971 – Saidapet, 1977 and 1980 –Anna Nagar, 1989 and 1991 – Harbour, 1996, 2001 and 2006 – Chepauk

and 2011 and 2016 – Thiruvarur. He was elected as an MLA for 13 times and adorned the Assembly for 60 years.

In 1984, he was a Member of the Legislative Council; Ruled Tamil Nadu 5 times – on 10.02.1969 for the first time, on 15.03.1971 for the second time, on 27.01.1989 for the third time, on 13.05.1996 for the fourth time and on 13.05.2006 for the fifth time. Thamizhina Thalaivar Kalaignar was Chief Minister for 19 years.

The modern Thamizhagam we see today was created by Chief Minister Kalaignar during his rule for five terms. If I start listing his achievements, a whole day will not suffice. Classical language status to Annai Tamil language; increasing the percentage of reservation for the backward classes in Union Government jobs; a law for archakar job to all castes; law for a share for women in property; social justice rights to BC, MBC and SC; free electricity to farmers; co-operative bank loan waiver of Rs. 7 thousand crore; Tidel park at Taramani, Chennai; metro rail scheme to Chennai; SIPCOT, SIDCO industrial complexes creation; creation of Tamil Nadu Slum Clearance Board and Tamil Nadu Water and Drainage Board; 'Namakku Naame' scheme and 'Anna Marumalarchi' schemes;

'108' emergency ambulance scheme; free medical insurance scheme; small bus service; setting up 'Uzhavar sandhai'; schemes for marriage assistance to widows and assistance to pregnant women; 30% reservation for women in Government jobs; 33 % reservation for women; distribution of gas stoves with LPG cylinders; setting up women self-help groups; Periyar Memorial Samathuvapurams for all to live together; 3.5 % reservation for Muslims; inclusion of Urdu speaking Muslims in backward class list; cancellation of entrance examination; distribution of free bus pass to students; creation of Salem Steel Plant, Salem Railway zone, Nemmeli desalination plant scheme, Hogenakkal combined water supply and Ramanathapuram combined water supply schemes; Anna Library, the biggest in Asia; rehabilitation of the differently abled and transgenders; and a large number of Universities, Medical colleges and Arts and Science colleges.

Thalaivar Kalaignar rubbed shoulders with leaders like Thanthai Periyar, Perarignar Anna, Mootharignar Rajaji, Perunthalaivar Kamarajar, the polite and refined Quaid-e-Millath, Pavendar Bharathidasan, Periyavar Bhaktavatsalam, Muthamizh Kavalar K.A.P. Viswanatham, Makkal Thilagam M.G.R., Kaviarasu Kannadasan, Thirumuruga Kripananda Variyar and Thavathiru Kundrakudi Ponnambala Adigalar.

Not only in Tamil Nadu, he showed the way for the politics of the whole of India. He was praised by the Presidents of India such as Neelam Sanjiva Reddy, Giani Zail Singh, V.V. Giri, Shankar Dayal Sarma, R. Venkataraman, K.R.Narayanan, A.P.J. Abdul Kalam and Pratibha Patil and India's Prime Ministers Indira Gandhi, Charan Singh, V.P. Singh, Deva Gowda, I.K. Gujral, A.B.Vajpayee and Manmohan Singh.

In the history of the Parliament of India, the only non-parliamentarian for whom both Houses of Parliament were adjourned was Thalaivar Kalaignar, on his demise. In this way, Thalaivar Kalaignar's influence transcended boundaries.

As a creative writer competing with other creative writers, as the top-most Kavi Chakravarti among poets, the senior-most artist in the field of cinema, the expert commander of politics in the political world, as a meticulous master in administrative skills, as the greatest orator on the dais, and the one who knew the art of victory in the Assembly, he excelled in every sphere.

He used to say: 'The sceptre can be snatched from me; but not my pen'. Even though he was deprived of the sceptre, he always held the pen that guides the sceptre; whether he took the oath of office or was unable to do so, the reins of Government were with him. Government and politics motivated him; and he influenced Government and politics. To such a great leader both in governance and politics, this Government wishes to do its historic duty.

I wish to inform this House with an outpouring of happiness, a feeling of exultation and immense gratitude, that June 3, the date Kalaignar was born to Muthuvelar-Anjugam Ammaiyar at Tiruvarur, will hereafter be celebrated as a Government event.

I am also proud to announce that a majestic statue will be installed for Kalaignar in the Omandurar Government Estate on the coming June 3.

Thalaivar Kalaignar used to say often: "Only if you run for a long distance, you can jump higher''. For the sake of this Tamil race, Kalaignar had covered a long distance. The Government of Tamil Nadu feels it its duty to see him on a high pedestal.

Announcement of the Hon'ble Chief Minister of Tamil Nadu **Thiru. M. K.Stalin** in the Tamil Nadu Legislative Assembly under Rule 110.

Our Chief Minister's Services to the Tamil language...

Kumarikandam, the place where human race is considered to have evolved, is also understood to be the land where Tamil language originated. Kumarikandam was the southern part of India but Tamil that originated there crossed the Indian landscape and has become a language spoken all over the world.

The Tamil language surpassed the basic attribute of a medium to exchange view points and has become the identity of a developed rich culture of a race. As a unique language not withered by time, Tamil language has the adaptability to continue to grow as an independent and multi-faceted language by adjusting to the changes brought about by time, science and technology.

In consonance with Bharathi who urged the spreading of Tamil everywhere if we are to be comfortable and on the path of the Tamizh Inathalaivar who instilled the feeling 'Tamil everywhere; Tamil in all things' and 'let Tamil cherish though we may fall', the Hon'ble Chief Minister of Tamil Nadu **Thiru. M.K. Stalin** is taking all steps for the glory and development of Tamil language and new efforts for spreading Tamil culture among Tamils in foreign countries and in other states.

- ❖ A new 'Thagaisal Thamizhar' award for honouring great contributors for the development of Tamil Nadu and Tamil race.

- Financial assistance of Rs. 1.25 crore for the continuance and functioning of the Tamil Department in the Cologne University, Germany without any slackening.
- In accordance with the wishes of Tamil scholars soaked in the principle of ‘Tamil everywhere; Tamil in all things’ and devotees, publication of 12 poetry books in praise of God for worship and Archana in Tamil.
- Revival of Central Institute of Classical Tamil, Chennai.
- The Unicode converter created by the Tamil Virtual Academy has been put into operation in all Government Departments.
- Translation of world famous literary works in Tamil.
- Allotment of Rs. 5 crore for archaeological excavation works and deep sea excavations for collecting evidence for the world to understand the rich culture of ancient Tamils.
- A museum with modern facilities at Tirunelveli at an estimate of Rs. 15 crore.
- Fourteen important announcements in memory of the centenary anniversary of Bharathiyar by way of honouring him.
- September 11, the death anniversary of Bharathiyar declared as ‘Mahakavi Day’.
- ‘Thirukkural Thamizhisai Padalgal” and ‘Thirukkural Vaazhthuppa’, the nectar of Kural, released in disc format.
- Introduction of 2 portals – ‘e – Munnetram’ and ‘Thagaval thozhilnutpa nanban’ and 2 softwares ‘Keezhadi- Digital Visaipalagai’ and ‘Thamizhi – Digital Unicode Converter’.

- As a precursor to the 150th birth anniversary of 'Kappalottiya Thamizhar' V.O.C., publication of his 'Pannool Thirattu' and 'Thirukkural Urai'.
- To achieve cent per cent recruitment of Tamil youths in all posts in the Government of Tamil Nadu and in the state public sector institutions, a pass is compulsory in the Tamil language paper in all competitive examinations conducted by selection agencies.
- Nationalization of the books of Tamil scholars Silamboli S. Chellappan, Dr. T. Paramasivan, Pulavar Elangkumaranar, Thiru. Murugesa Bhagavathar, Thiru. Sankaravalli Nayakam and Pulavar S. Rasu.
- 'Bharathi Centenary Memorial Award' and the award prize of Rs. 3 lakh each to 2 senior researchers on 'Mahakavi Bharathiyar' and to the families of 4 senior researchers who had passed away.
- Prize to 219 students selected in the competition on rendering all the 1,330 Thirukkural couplets by rote.
- Government of Tamil Nadu's financial assistance of Rs. 25 lakh for construction of a building for Navi Mumbai Tamil Sangam.
- Thamizh Thaai Vazhththu – declared as Government of Tamil Nadu's State Song.
- Government Order for all to stand up when the song is sung.

❖ Presentation of ‘Kalaignar M.Karunanidhi Semmozhi Tamil’ awards for the years 2010 to 2019.

❖ The best research articles obtained through the International Virtual Conference “Tamil Computer Development and Challenges”, compiled and published in 2 volumes.

❖ 365 paintings selected in the competition held under the title ‘Kuraloviyam’ for school and college students were published as Table Calendar in a book format.

In these and other ways the Hon’ble Chief Minister is rendering great service to Tamil language hailed as one, not affected by Time.

> **Our Government, which functions with a visionary outlook of Muthamizh Arignar Thalaivar Kalaignar on the path shown by Perarignar Anna who gave the call ‘Tamil everywhere; in everything Tamil’, will continue to raise its voice for uplift of Tamil as official language and the language of the court.**

- Hon’ble Chief Minister of Tamil Nadu
Thiru. M.K. Stalin

Hon’ble Chief Minister upholds Tamil’s classical status

Tamil, the oldest language in the world, has a rich vocabulary and a wealth of literature. Through his untiring efforts, Muthamizh Arignar Dr. Kalaignar fulfilled a hundred-year-old dream, when he won the status of classical language for Tamil.

The first to give a call for ‘Classical Status’ for Tamil, which is known for its antiquity, individuality, universality, impartiality, motherliness, linguistic principles, literary richness and high thinking, art and culture, was Tamil scholar Suryanarayana Sastri, who changed his name as Parithimar Kalaignar. The others who subsequently demanded Classical Status for Tamil were Ireland-born Robert Caldwell, who settled in Idaiyangudi in Tirunelveli out of his love for the Tamil language, bodies like the Chennai Saiva Siddhantha Maha Samajam, Karanthai Tamil Sangam, Tamil Sangams in capitals, Tamil Universities and scholar Mozhi Gnayiru Devaneya Paavanar and many scholars from other States and national and international scholars.

The more than century-year-old demand of the Tamil people was in vain, like the moon’s rays shining on forests and rains falling into the seas. But it was due to the

persistent efforts of Muthamizh Arignar Kalaignar, who shines like the Pole Star, that Tamil was given the Classical Status on 12.10.2004.

All the three words in the phrase, 'Ulaga Thamizh Semmozhi' are not only meaningful but are also appropriate. Tamil is not only a world language but is also like the mother of all languages. Mozhi Gnayiru Devaneya Paavanar proved that Tamil is the first language in the world.

Dr.Kalaignar added fame to the language by organizing the World Classical Tamil Conference in Coimbatore in 2010. He was for setting up a separate institute for Classical Tamil and due to his consistent pressure, the Union Government in the year 2006 formed the Centre for Excellence of Classical Tamil, as a part of the Union Government's Indian Languages Centre. This was subsequently changed as the Central Institute of Classical Tamil as an autonomous body in the year 2008 by the Union Government with the then Chief Minister Dr.Kalaignar as the Chairman of the Institute and Chennai as its headquarters.

The Central Institute of Classical Tamil gives priority to research on 41 Classical Tamil books. Its prime aim is to continue research on antiquity of the language, maintain its individuality, continue its legacy and protect it.

In the year 2007, Muthamizh Arignar Kalaignar allotted 16.86 acres of land on behalf of the Government of Tamil Nadu in Perumbakkam, near Chennai for the Central Institute of Classical Tamil. The administrative building was constructed at a cost of Rs.24.65 crore on the land and the building was declared open by the Hon'ble Prime Minister on 12.01.2022 through video conferencing, in the presence of the Hon'ble Chief Minister of Tamil Nadu Thiru. M.K.Stalin.

When the Hon'ble Chief Minister of Tamil Nadu Thiru. M.K.Stalin, took over the administration of the State, he again initiated measures for the development of the Central Institute of Classical Tamil.

The Hon'ble Chief Minister inspected the newly opened building of the Institute on 07.01.2022. On the occasion, the Chief Minister released 8 new books on behalf of the Classical Tamil Research Institute. The books are Tholkappiya Aaivu, Theivasilayar Urai Neri, Ainkurunuru Kurinji, Ainkurunuru Palai, Vaaimozhi Vaaipadu Kotpaadu Nokkil Sanga Ilakkiyam, Puthiya Nokkil Kalapirar Varalaru, Dravidian Comparative Grammar-II and A historical Grammar of Tamil.

Considering the importance of the Institute, Dr.Kalaignar on 24.07.2008 instituted the Muthamizh Arignar Kalaignar Classical Tamil Award with a corpus fund of Rs. 1 crore.

Through this, the Trust gives Dr.Kalaignar M.Karunanidhi Classical Tamil Award every year. The Award consists of Rs. 10 lakh cash prize, a Commendation Certificate and a Bronze Statue of Dr.Kalaignar.

At the administrative meeting of the Institute, held at the Anna Centenary Library Complex on 22.01.2022, the Hon'ble Chief Minister Thiru. M.K.Stalin released the list of Dr.Kalaignar Classical Tamil Award winners from the year 2010 to 2019 and handed over the Awards to the winners and

honoured them. The Chief Minister also named the Medavakkam- Sholinganallur Link Road, where the new complex of the Institute is situated, as Semmozhi Salai (Classical Tamil Road).

The Chief Minister also announced that to take the features of Classical Tamil throughout the world, steps would be taken to set up Classical Tamil Chairs in 5 South East Nation Universities.

It has been the dream of Tamil scholars for centuries that Tamil should have a classical status. The leader who fulfilled that dream is our Thamizhina Thalaivar Muthamizh Arignar Kalaignar

- Hon'ble Chief Minister of Tamil Nadu
Thiru. M.K. Stalin

A Chief Minister who cares for Non-Resident Tamils

The Tamil savant Avvaiyar exhorted Tamils to go abroad and earn wealth (Thirai Kadal Odiyum Thiraviyam Thedu).

Tamils in earlier ages went abroad for doing business, for their livelihood, in search of jobs and to experience new places. Tamils were not fixed to one place, one country. They lived throughout the world. Today, they are in large numbers in 30 nations and in small numbers in 60 countries. The Tamil race is living all over the world.

In our times, we have modern technology. But in those days even in the absence of such technology, Tamils shifted to many countries with self confidence. They did not remain in their native places and spend their time speaking about past glories. They went abroad with the confidence that their talents would be honoured.

But for all those Tamil people, wherever they live, their native place is Tamil Nadu.

When a Tamilian meets another Tamilian, they should greet each other in the name of Tamil; they should not give importance to any other difference, said the great Tamil scholar Mu.Varadarasanar.

It is the Dravidian movement which evoked the passion for the language in Tamils; even at their own cost they want their language to flourish. It is the Dravidian movement that instilled attachment for the Tamil race. Because of this, Tamils not only fought for their language but are also ready to protect it even at the cost of their life.

Whenever the DMK comes to power, Tamils here and all over the world feel that it is their Government.

Hon’ble Chief Minister of Tamil Nadu Thiru. M.K.Stalin, who is giving good governance in the State with the feeling of world-wide Tamil unity, has also announced various welfare schemes for Tamils living abroad. Apart from showering his love on them, he also shows his warmth, protects them, solves their problems and extends his help to them. For their welfare, he announced the formation of a new Board, by name Non-Resident Tamils Welfare Board.

This Board will have 13 members with the Government officials and representatives from Non-Resident Tamils. With a corpus fund of Rs. 5 crore from the Government, a welfare trust will be formed with an investment expenditure of Rs. 1.40 crore and a recurring expenditure of Rs. 3 crore.

* A separate portal will be set up for Non-Resident Tamils.
* ID Cards for accident, life insurance and Medical Insurance.
* Educational assistance for children and marriage assistance if a Non-Resident dies in harness;
* Startup training for Non-Resident Tamils, who move to other countries for education and employment;
* Toll-free telephone and internet connection for counselling;
* Separate Legal Aid Centre.
* Those Non-Resident Tamils, who return due to COVID-19, will be given a loan up to a maximum of Rs. 2.5 lakh with subsidy for starting small-scale industries; Rs.6 crore has been allotted for the scheme.
* Assistance will be provided to Non-Resident Tamils who want to invest their money in Government and other industrial institutions.
* My Village Scheme for those who want to provide facilities to their native villages.

* Facilities to learn Tamil through Tamil Virtual University.
* Rs.4 crore has been allotted for art and cultural exchanges by integrating all welfare associations in various countries.
* Every year January 12 will be observed as Non-Resident Tamils Day.

A separate administrative wing will be created in the Rehabilitation Department to find solutions to issues confronting Non-Resident Tamils. The Rehabilitation Department will be renamed as Directorate of Rehabilitation and Non-Resident Tamils Welfare.

This Directorate will co-ordinate with Indian Embassies in other countries in helping Non-Resident Tamils to rehabilitate Tamils who are in distress, to bring the bodies of Tamils who die in foreign countries and to get compensation for their families.

The Directorate celebrated 'Non-Resident Tamils Day' on 12.01.2022. Addressing Non-Resident Tamils through video conferencing on that day, the Chief Minister said if at all we have gathered here it is due to the feeling of being Tamil.

“Though we are separated by distance and nationalities, we are united through language. The Tamil language has that power’’.

“Let us all unite through Tamil.”

Strive to rise in life through education, employment and industrial growth. Though a tree grows taller and taller, it always has its roots intact. Similarly, please do not move away from the Tamil language and Tamil Nadu; This Government is not only for Tamils here but for all Non-Resident Tamils.

> **Wherever Tamils live, Tamil Nadu is their motherland. It is the duty of Mother Tamil Nadu not only to love them but also to cherish and protect them**

- Hon’ble Chief Minister of Tamil Nadu
Thiru. M.K. Stalin

Slew of steps for rehabilitation of Sri Lankan Tamil refugees

"Why is sea water salty? It is so due to the tears shed by Tamils living in alien lands, said Perarignar Anna.

To find solutions to the grievances of Sri Lankan Tamils, who came as refugees to Tamil Nadu from Sri Lanka, Dr.Kalaignar built 7,420 new houses and other infrastructure for those living in camps, at a cost of Rs. 5.50 crore.

In addition, Dr.Kalaignar directed the officials to conduct a survey on 'Basic requirements of Sri Lankan Tamils living in Camps' and executed 14 basic tasks, at a cost of Rs.100 crore, to improve the livelihood of Tamils living in the camps.

Since the racial clash in Sri Lanka in 1983, affected Tamils continue to move to Tamil Nadu. Out of the Tamils who came as refugees to Tamil Nadu, 58,547 people, belonging to 18,944 families were settled in 106 camps (including 2 special camps) in 2 districts. In addition 34,122 refugees belonging to 13,540 families who are registered as refugees are living outside the Government camps.

Hon'ble Chief Minister **Thiru. M.K.Stalin**, who runs the Government of Tamil Nadu in the path laid down by Arignar Anna and Muthamizh Arignar Kalaignar, announced in the Tamil Nadu Legislative Assembly on 27.08.2021 that a honourable, protected and

upgraded life would be provided to Sri Lankan Tamils, who were living without any basic facilities in the camps.

7,469 houses at cost of Rs. 231.54 crore.

Rs. 30 crore for improving the basic facilities in camps.

Rs. 5 crore for improving the standard of living of Sri Lankan Tamils in the camps.

Rs.1 crore allotment to meet the education and hostel fees of the first 50 students and 5 post graduate students of Sri Lankan Tamils living in camps on the basis of their marks, in the Agriculture and Agricultural Engineering Colleges.

Education assistance has been increased for wards of Sri Lankan Tamils, living in camps to pursue their education in Arts, Science and Polytechnic Government and other colleges. The education assistance has been raised to Rs. 10,000 for Polytechnic students, to 12,000 for arts and science graduate students and Rs. 20,000 for allied technical graduate courses. Rs. 1.25 crore has been allotted to meet the increased assistance.

Rs. 10 crore has been allotted to impart employment training to 5,000 youths living in Sri Lankan Camps.

To improve the livelihood, Rs.1.25 lakh has been allotted to 300 self-help groups, living in Sri Lankan Camps as revolving fund and social investment fund and Rs. 75,000 more for 321 Self Help Groups.

An additional amount of Rs. 21.49 crore has been allotted for increasing the cash assistance to Rs. 1,500 for family heads, Rs. 1,000 for other elders and Rs. 500 to those below 12 years of age.

Rs.7 crore has been allotted to supply free LPG gas connection and burners to each family of Sri Lankan Tamils living in Camps and Rs. 3.80 crore for subsidy payment for 5 LPG cylinders per family.

Rs. 19 lakh has been allotted to supply the full quota of rice at no cost to Sri Lankan Tamils living in camps.

Rs. 3 crore has been allotted for supplying free garments every year and bed sheets once in 2 years, through Cooptex to Sri Lankan Tamils living in camps.

Rs. 1.97 crore has been allotted for supplying 8 varieties of kitchen vessels.

The Hon'ble Chief Minister announced that an Advisory committee has been formed with the Minister for Minorities Welfare and Non-Resident Tamils Welfare, Lok Sabha

and Assembly members, Government officials, representatives from the Sri Lankan Tamils living in camps and those living outside the camps, to find a long-term solution to the problems of Sri Lankan Tamils living in camps.

As a part of the implementing the schemes, the Hon'ble Chief Minister, at a Government function in Melmonavur in Vellore District, on 02.11.2021, declared open 3,510 new houses, constructed at a cost of Rs. 142.16 crore for the Sri Lankan Tamils living in camps and laid the foundation stone for basic facilities such as drinking water, power and road facilities to 78 camps, at a cost of Rs. 30 crore and inaugurated distribution of Government welfare assistance, worth Rs. 225.86 crore.

The Hon'ble Chief Minister also visited the Sri Lankan Tamils rehabilitation camp at Melmonavur and enquired about the refugees. He also reviewed the functioning of the camp and gave away sweets to the children in the camp.

The Hon'ble Chief Minister at the Secretariat in Chennai on 14.03.2022 distributed 109 free colour TV sets to Rehabilitation camps in the State for the benefit of children of Sri Lankan Tamils living in the camps.

The Hon'ble Chief Minister distributed COVID assistance of Rs. 4,000 each and 14 varieties of provisions to 18,944 Sri Lankan Tamils families living in camps.

The Chief Minister's Comprehensive Health Insurance Scheme for the 33,748 Sri Lankan Tamils of 13,443 families living outside camps, and Rs. 4,000 was given as COVID Relief fund.

Many Tamil families, including children, affected by the present Economic crisis in Sri Lanka are coming to Tamil Nadu through sea. As per the direction of the Hon'ble Chief Minister, the refugees are accommodated in Mandapam camp in Ramanathapuram District.

The Hon’ble Chief Minister on 01.04.2022 requested the Union Government through Hon’ble Prime Minister that special permission should be given to provide the same facilities to the newly arrived refugees, like their counterparts in the regular camps.

During his telephonic conversation with the Hon’ble Foreign Minister of the Union Government on 07.04.2022 , the Hon’ble Chief Minister said that Tamil Nadu is firm on helping Tamils in Sri Lanka, who are under distress due to the present economic crisis. He wanted the Union Government to make the necessary arrangements at the earliest to send essential articles to Sri Lanka.

So far 39 Sri Lankan Tamils belonging to 13 families, including 17 children have arrived at Tamil Nadu through sea. They have been accommodated at Mandapam Camp. They are being provided assistance by the Government of Tamil Nadu, including food. The Hon’ble Chief Minister spoke to them on 15.04.2022 and enquired about their welfare.

The name of the Sri Lankan camps has been changed as Sri Lankan Tamils Rehabilitation Camp to ensure protected, honourable and upgraded life in the camps.

This Government is the one that will protect not just the Tamils here but also those living across the sea.

- Hon’ble Chief Minister of Tamil Nadu
Thiru. M.K. Stalin

Hon’ble Chief Minister gives greater push to efforts to establish antiquity of Tamil culture, language

Though many emperors brought India under their suzerainty, the Tamil land always remained independent. There is much archaeological evidence to establish the hoary civilization of the Tamil land. Proper excavations are necessary to establish scientifically the antiquity of Tamil language and the culture of Tamils.

During his rule, Muthamizh Arignar Kalaignar put in great efforts for exhaustive deep sea archaeological research. In 1990, he planned a big scheme for oceanographic research. In the deep sea excavation to trace the submerged Poompuhar city, some construction sites were found.

The Keezhadi excavation in Sivagangai District has drawn the attention of the world. That archaeological research yielded abundant cultural artefacts of Tamils and when the Union Government abruptly dropped that research, Muthamizh Arignar Kalaignar recorded his severe condemnation.

As per carbon dating conclusions, the Sangam Age Tamils were a literate society even in 6th century BCE. In that respect, the one word – Keezhadi – united Tamils all over the world together.

At present, the Tamil Nadu Archaeological Department is conducting excavation works at Keezhadi, Adichanallur, Sivakalai, Korkai, Kodumanal, Mayiladumparai and Gangaikondacholapuram. It is consulting with archaeological research experts, famous at the national level and with technical experts about the various artefacts obtained from these excavations.

A silver coin with the imprints of a sun, moon and geometric design, was found at Keezhadi. Susmita Basu Majumdar, eminent numismatist and professor in University of Calcutta, who examined the coin, dated it as pre-fourth century BCE - that is before the times of the Maurya Emperor Ashoka.

As per the carbon dating conclusions, the date of the Thamizhi letters, found in Keezhadi, is 6th century BCE; the two carbon models obtained now have confirmed that conclusion that Keezhadi civilization dates back to 6th century BCE.

It has been already established that Korkai functioned as a harbour even before 8th century BCE, through the carbon dating of articles obtained in earlier excavations.

The Hon'ble Chief Minister announced in the Tamil Nadu Legislative Assembly on 09.09.2021 many excellent schemes like setting up a modern museum in the Tirunelveli City

at a cost of Rs. 15 crore to beautifully exhibit the rare articles obtained in the excavations taken up at a cost of Rs. 5 crore at areas inclusive of Adhichanallur, Sivakalai and Korkai for collecting evidence for the world to understand the rich culture of ancient Tamils and their prowess in technology like embarking on sea trade, water management, metallurgy, production of extraordinary beads and pearl fishing. He also announced a scheme for a search for the cultural roots of Tamils all over the Indian sub-continent and in overseas lands where they had left their victorious imprints; the Tamil Nadu Archaeological Department has been assigned this task.

The Hon'ble Chief Minister visited the Keezhadi excavation site on 29.10.2021 and inspected the artefacts displayed there for the world to know about the antiquity of the Keezhadi civilization and its culture.

It is planned to conduct excavations at archaeological sites of pre-historic to historic period all over Tamil Nadu. It is proposed to conduct the excavations at 7 places in the year 2022 in a bid to add glory to the antiquity of the ancient Tamil society, its culture and its other excellences. The places are: Keezhadi and its surrounding places (Konthagai, Agaram, Manalur), Sivagangai District – 8th phase; Sivakalai, Thoothukudi District – 3rd phase; Gangaikondacholapuram, Ariyalur District – 2nd phase; Mayiladumparai, Krishnagiri District – 2nd phase; Vembakkottai, Virudhunagar District – 1st phase; Thulukkarpatti, Tirunelveli District – 1st phase; Perumbalai, Dharmapuri District – 1st phase.

The excavation works are to commence in the first week of February and will extend up to the end of September. The Hon'ble Chief Minister announced on 20.01.2022 that excavations, field inspections and pre-field land inspections were to be undertaken at a cost of Rs. 5 crore.

To mark the starting of the excavation works, he inaugurated through video conferencing on 11.02.2022 two excavation works – at Keezhadi and its surrounding places Konthagai, Agaram, Manalur in Sivagangai District and at Maligaimedu, Gangaikondacholapuram in Ariyalur District.

Hereafter, we will travel all over the world in search of the cultural identities of Tamils who long back declared to the entire world that "all towns are my town, people everywhere are my kin". The Hon'ble Chief Minister is diligently working towards establishing, as the Government's prime duty, scientifically, and on the basis of evidence that the history of Indian sub-continent should hereafter be written, starting from the Tamil land.

> **It is the Government's prime duty to establish scientifically on the basis of evidence, that the history of Indian subcontinent should hereafter be written starting from the Tamil land**

- Hon'ble Chief Minister of Tamil Nadu
Thiru. M.K. Stalin

Hon’ble Chief Minister takes proactive measures to rescue Tamil students stranded in Ukraine

Tamils excel in education, securing jobs and in industrial growth and leave the imprint of their special skills all over the world.

In keeping with this trend, there are considerable numbers of Tamils who have gone to different foreign countries including Ukraine to pursue their education, particularly medical education.

The Russian invasion of Ukraine left stranded, the students of Tamil Nadu who had gone there for higher studies, including medicine, and other migrants from the state.

Tamil Nadu is the home for all Tamils wherever they live. So, the Hon’ble Chief Minister of Tamil Nadu Thiru. M.K. Stalin, impelled by the sense that it is the prime duty of the Government of Tamil Nadu to protect them, wrote a letter on 24.02.2022 to the Foreign Affairs Minister of the Union Government urging immediate steps to rescue the students of Tamil Nadu in Ukraine and other migrants from the State. He ordered the setting up of a state-level control room with the Head of the Commissionerate of Rehabilitation

and Welfare of Non-Resident Tamils as the Officer in Charge. Also, the Personal Assistant (General) to the District Collector in all Districts and in Delhi, the Additional Chief Secretary, Principal Resident Commissioner and Resident Commissioner were appointed as officers in charge.

A round-the-clock emergency control room in Chennai,

A toll free phone – 1070 – and two other phone facilities – 9940256444, 9600023645,

Two email addresses – nrtchennai@gmail.com and nrtamils@tn.gov.in – were announced to be provided for information flow.

The Hon'ble Chief Minister directed that all actions including collection of information about the Tamil students and migrants stranded in Ukraine should be taken on a war footing.

On 26.02.2022, the Hon'ble Chief Minister visited the control room, interacted through video call with 3 medical students of Tamil Nadu in Ukraine, instilled courage in them saying 'Don't be afraid; we will take care of you' and gave advice to them.

Details about Tamil students in Ukraine were collected from 1,921 persons through 3,501 phone calls and 4,426 emails and from the parents of the students in the state and handed over to the Department of External Affairs of the Union Government for taking up serious steps to rescue them.

As there was delay in the rescue operations, the Hon'ble Chief Minister urged the Hon'ble External Affairs Minister through a phone call on 28.02.2022 and through a letter on 03.03.2022 to take immediate steps.

Further, he ordered the forming of a special rescue team with the Parliamentarians Thiru. Tiruchi Siva, Thiru. Kalanidhi Veerasamy and Thiru. M.M. Abdulla, MLA Thiru. T.R.B. Raaja and 4 IAS officers to go to the countries adjoining Ukraine and undertake the work of rescuing Tamil students.

This team met the External Affairs Minister of the Union Government Thiru. Jaishankar Subramanian on 05.03.2022 at New Delhi and requested him to speed up the rescue works.

They held a detailed consultation on rescuing Tamil students through the adjoining countries of Ukraine like Romania, Poland, Hungary and Slovakia.

The Government of Tamil Nadu immediately allotted Rs. 3.50 crore for bringing the stranded Tamils safely.

It also took upon itself the expenses of 35 students to reach nearby Hungary from some parts of Ukraine and that of about 160 students to reach the Ukraine-Romania border and from there to Bucharest, the capital of Romania.

After the formation of the high-level committee, the rescue operations in regard to Tamil students intensified and the students who were brought to New Delhi were lodged safely in Tamil Nadu House; the Government of Tamil Nadu arranged three special planes to bring the students back to Tamil Nadu.

When the Hon'ble Chief Minister met Ukraine-returnees Selvi Nivedita, Selvi Divyabharathi, Selvi Harini and Thiru.Navaneetha Sriram at their house in Jothipuram, Tirunelveli District on 07.03.2022, they expressed their heart-felt gratitude to him for taking up all steps for their safe return and for exhorting the Union Government to permit their medical studies in India itself.

As a result of the sagacious steps taken by the Hon'ble Chief Minister, 1,890 students out of 1,921 studying medicine in Ukraine, were safely rescued and brought to Tamil Nadu. Of them, 1,524 students were brought to Tamil Nadu and taken to their homes at the expense of Government of Tamil Nadu; 366 students returned to Tamil Nadu at their own expense; 31 students who did not wish to return to India have sought refuge in safe places in adjoining countries.

On 12.03.2022, the Hon'ble Chief Minister welcomed the students at the airport by giving them a bouquet and interacted with them.

A psychological counselling scheme for the students who have returned from Ukraine, through the '104' medical service centre, was implemented and has benefited 1,524 students.

The entire Tamil Society is praising the Hon'ble Chief Minister's compassionate welfare works and speedy actions for rescuing the Tamil students who were in unsafe conditions in Ukraine.

> **We will continue to urge the Union Government to allow students who have returned from Ukraine to continue their studies in India.**

- Hon'ble Chief Minister of Tamil Nadu
Thiru. M.K. Stalin

A Chief Minister who champions Social Justice

The ideology of social justice was born in Tamil Nadu. You may call it class rights, communal GO, communal rights, reservation and caste-based reservation, but no name gives as much depth to the concept as ‘social justice’ does. This concept is the greatest gift to Tamil society. The Dravidian Movement gave this gift, not only to Tamil Nadu but to the entire Indian Union.

It was the Justice Party that implemented the policy of reservation 100 years ago in the name of Communal GO. That GO gave everybody access to education, employment and to high ranking posts. When a legal hurdle for it rose in Independent India, Thanthai Periyar and Perarignar Anna acted as a double-barrelled-gun and launched an agitation that drew the attention of the Indian sub-continent.

When a threat loomed large over the policy of reservation through the Supreme Court, it was Periyar, Perarignar Anna and Perunthalaivar Kamarajar who fought and brought about amendments to the Constitution in 1950.

For the social justice policy of Tamil Nadu, constitutional recognition was obtained. Ensuring due reservation for the backward classes, the scheduled castes and scheduled tribes and changing the percentage of reservation as per the needs of the times are all the historic evidences of the past 50 years.

Increasing the percentage of reservation for the backward classes to 31, for the scheduled castes to 18, allotting one per cent exclusively to scheduled tribes, inclusion of Adi Dravidar Christians in BC list, identifying 107 castes separately in the most backward classes, providing a name for them and giving allotment for them, sub-reservation of 3 per cent for Arunthathiyars, 3.5 per cent sub-reservation for Muslims, stressing and getting 27 per cent reservation for the other backward classes in Union Government jobs as per the recommendation of the Mandal Commission and passing a legislation to remove caste distinction in the appointment of archakas in temples are all great contributions to the doctrine of social justice.

In the list of battles for social justice, 21 persons laid their lives in police shooting in an agitation in North Tamil Nadu launched in 1987 for a separate 20 per cent reservation. By way of providing justice to the protesters' death, the Government headed by Muthamizh Arignar Kalaignar, in 1989, created a 'most backward class' category, gave 20 per cent reservation for it, the first of its kind in the whole of India, and brought about equality of opportunity in education and jobs.

As a follow up of this, Hon'ble Chief Minister of Tamil Nadu Thiru.M.K. Stalin, announced, in line with Muthamizh Arignar Kalaignar, in the Tamil Nadu Legislative Assembly on 02.09.2021 that a Manimandapam would be erected at a cost of Rs. 4 crore to honour those 21 social justice agitators who died in the 1987 stir.

Muthamizh Arignar Kalaignar's demand for a 27 per cent reservation for OBC in medical seats was continuously stressed and a case was filed in the Madras High Court and got a favourable decree. This great victory is that of the oppressed people.

Thanthai Periyar framed a policy on the basis of self-respect, rationalism, equality, social justice and the rights of the race. That laid the foundation for social development in the last century. It will also pave the way for the future. As a mark of sowing that seed of that feeling, sentiment and inspiration the Hon'ble Chief Minister announced in the Tamil Nadu Legislative Assembly on

06.09.2021 that Thanthai Periyar's birth anniversary, September 17, would be observed as 'Social Justice Day' every year. He also passed an order on the centenary day of the issuing of the communal GO for the setting up a committee to monitor whether social justice is being implemented fully. The Hon'ble Chief Minister also increased the prize money for the awardees of 'Social Justice Thanthai Periyar Virudhu' and 'Dr. Ambedkar Tamil Nadu Government Virudhu', given respectively for service to social justice and uplift of Adi Dravidar and Scheduled Tribes, to Rs. 5 lakh.

On 13.04.2022, the Hon'ble Chief Minister announced in the Tamil Nadu Legislative Assembly that the birth anniversary of Annal Ambedkar, April 14, would be observed as 'Equality Day'.

When Thanthai Periyar passed away, Muthamizh Arignar Kalaignar said: 'Thanthai Periyar wound up his journey. Let us continue it.' Hence, let us also continue it!.

- Hon'ble Chief Minister of Tamil Nadu
Thiru. M.K. Stalin

Hon’ble Chief Minister at the forefront of battle for exemption from NEET

The Government of Tamil Nadu that functions with the noble ideal ‘all things for all people’, is also demonstrating its capacity in implementing education as a basic right.

It is firm that admission of students to college should be on the basis of the marks scored on the 12th standard public examination without any entrance examination as the latter affects the poor and marginalized community of rural students.

Muthamizh Arignar Kalaignar passed a separate law in 2007 to remove entrance examinations conducted at the state level, obtained Hon’ble President’s assent and ensured the protection of the interests of rural, poor students in admission to college. On that basis, admission to medical colleges was conducted and Tamil Nadu was a forerunner for the entire country.

NEET is an examination based on Indian Medical Council’s regulations. When the NEET examination system was proposed in 2010, Muthamizh Arignar Kalaignar opposed it vehemently. Tamil Nadu was at the forefront in the filing of cases – 115 from all over India – against the NEET examination.

In July 2013, the First Bench of the Hon’ble Supreme Court declared NEET examination as unconstitutional. Later, in a case filed by a private institution, the

Hon’ble Supreme Court permitted NEET examination in April 2016. The Union Government promulgated an ordinance and implemented the NEET examination system all over the country.

At a time when many cases of irregularities in NEET examination were being heard, the Government of Tamil Nadu forwarded a draft ordinance, seeking exemption to Tamil Nadu from NEET examination, to the Union Government for its consent in 2017. The Hon’ble Supreme Court refused to exempt Tamil Nadu from the NEET examination. Anitha, a student who filed a case on account of NEET examination tension, committed suicide.

The Government headed by the Hon’ble Chief Minister of Tamil Nadu Thiru. M.K. Stalin started taking up various serious measures from the very beginning to cancel the NEET examination that dashes the dreams of poor rural students to study medicine and become a doctor.

The Government passed an order on 10.06.2021, setting up a high-level committee headed by Justice (Retired) A.K. Rajan to examine whether the NEET examination process has affected backward class students, to frame the admission methods to rectify it and recommend to the Government the possibilities of their implementation. This committee presented its report to the Government on 14.07.2021, highlighting the damages caused by the NEET examination and giving its recommendations for alternative methods of admission for implementation.

On the basis of the recommendations of this committee, a Draft Bill -‘NEET exemption bill’ – was passed in the Tamil Nadu Legislative Assembly on 13.09.2021 and was forwarded to the Hon’ble Governor for the assent of the Hon’ble President of India. The Draft Bill was also published in the gazette.

In a statement in regard to the Ariyalur girl student, a victim of NEET examination, the Hon'ble Chief Minister declared on 14.09.2021 that the pathetic act of committing suicide for the sake of life-giving medical studies would be averted. "We will chase away 'NEET' through court battles". A psychological counselling facility through toll free helpline number 104 was also created for students who had appeared for the 'NEET' examination.

The Hon'ble Chief Minister met the Hon'ble Governor on 27.11.2021 and insisted on forwarding the Draft Bill passed in the Tamil Nadu Legislative Assembly to the Hon'ble President of India.

On 17.12.2021, the Hon'ble Minister for Water Resources met the Hon'ble Governor of Tamil Nadu and again emphasized the matter.

On 28.12.2021, Members of Parliament from various political parties presented, under the leadership of Thiru. T.R. Baalu, MP, a petition in the office of the Hon'ble President of India regarding the delay over getting assent to the 'NEET' examination Draft Bill.

An all-party meeting was held on 08.01.2022 under the leadership of the Hon'ble Chief Minister of Tamil Nadu for taking a unanimous stand in respect of the next course of action for getting NEET exemption.

At a video conferencing event on 12.01.2022, the Hon'ble Chief Minister requested the Hon'ble Prime Minister to exempt Tamil Nadu from NEET examination.

On 17.01.2022, an all-party delegation of Parliament Members, headed by Thiru. T.R. Baalu, MP met the Union Home Minister and stressed upon this demand.

The Government of Tamil Nadu received a file from the Hon'ble Governor of Tamil Nadu on 02.02.2022 with a note for the re-examination of the Draft Bill by the Tamil Nadu Legislative Assembly.

To discuss and decide upon the next course of action, a meeting of all legislature parties, headed by the Hon'ble Chief Minister was held on 05.02.2022.

The Draft Bill returned by the Hon'ble Governor of Tamil Nadu was again passed at a special meeting of the Tamil Nadu Legislative Assembly on 08.02.2022 and sent back to the Hon'ble Governor.

When admission to medical seats for the academic year 2022-2023 was to start shortly, the Hon'ble Chief Minister met the Hon'ble Governor on 15.03.2022 and stressed upon quick forwarding of the Draft Bill seeking exemption from NEET examination, to the Hon'ble President of India, for his assent.

In the interests of the people of Tamil Nadu, the Hon'ble Chief Minister requested the Hon'ble Governor of Tamil Nadu through a letter on 14.04.2022, to forward the NEET examination Bill to the Hon'ble President of India expeditiously.

In a statement made under Rule 110 in the Tamil Nadu Legislative Assembly on 18.04.2022, the Hon'ble Chief Minister announced that depending on the steps taken to forward the NEET exemption bill to the Hon'ble Governor to be sent to the Hon'ble President of India, the next course of action, if needed, will be decided upon by convening a meeting of all legislature parties and consulting it.

The guidance given by Perarignar Anna and Muthamizh Arignar Kalaignar is that, in public life, we should work in the interest of the people. There is no doubt that the Government headed by the Hon'ble Chief Minister which follows this guidance, will continue its efforts and activities in the interests of the people, to get exemption from the NEET.

> **We will take forward the struggle against NEET considering it the next stage of the Social Justice movement; we won't budge a jot from this stand.**

- Hon'ble Chief Minister of Tamil Nadu
Thiru. M.K. Stalin

Hon'ble Chief Minister ensures farmers welfare

They alone live, who live by agriculture; all others lead a cringing, dependent life, said Saint Thiruvalluvar (Uzhuthundu vaazhvaare vaazhvaar, matrellaam thozhuthundu pinselbavar : Kural 1033)

Agriculture plays a crucial role in the overall socio-economic development of a country. Besides being the livelihood of farmers and providing food to people, agriculture is of paramount importance in providing employment opportunities, spurring industrial growth and international trade, and in poverty alleviation. For the 70 per cent of people living in rural areas in Tamil Nadu, agriculture is the main occupation. With the help of modern technology, agricultural productivity has been increased and value has been added to harvested crops. By processing them, their market value has been enhanced, thereby increasing agriculture-based employment opportunities and making agriculture a profitable proposition.

The Tamil Nadu Government's prime objective is to protect the interests of farmers by increasing the area under cultivation, agriculture production and productivity. With

this view, the Chief Minister has changed the name of the Agriculture Department as Agriculture and Farmers Welfare Department.

* To protect the interest of agriculture and farmers and to improve the economy of the State, for the first time in the history of Tamil Nadu, a separate budget for agriculture was presented in the Tamil Nadu Legislative Assembly on 14.08.2021.

* To boost agriculture and to attain sustainable development, the Hon'ble Chief Minister announced three important 10-year long-term schemes.

* To bring 11.75 lakh hectares of land under cultivation and raise the net cultivation area to 75 per cent.

* To increase the double harvest crop lands to 20 lakh hectares.

* To attain the first three positions at the all-India level in the productivity of cash crops.

Apart from opening the Mettur Reservoir for Kuruvai cultivation on 12.06.2021, the Hon'ble Chief Minister, with a view to increase the kuruvai crop output, announced Rs.61.09 crore Kuruvai crop cultivation package scheme, which includes distribution of inputs and agriculture equipment at subsidized rates.

* Palm tree development scheme.

* One lakh power connections for agriculture pump sets

* Samba crop compensation of Rs. 1,597.18 crore to 6 lakh farmers;

* Implementation of new forest policy at a cost of Rs. 11.14 crore and 73 lakh tree seedlings distributed to farmers in the first phase.

* Under the Chief Minister's Nutritive Vegetable Garden Scheme, to meet the daily vegetable requirements of homes and to enable children to know about vegetables, the Hon'ble Chief Minister announced schemes worth Rs. 95 crore. The schemes include:

Distribution of 2 lakh packets containing 12 varieties of vegetable seeds.

One lakh terrace garden seed packets each containing 6 varieties of vegetables at subsidized price in the urban areas.

For vegetable growing farmers, incentives and inputs have been provided to the tune of Rs. 15,000;

In 2,000 villages, where vegetable cultivation is less, inputs will be supplied for increasing the soil fertility of 1,250 hectares of land.

Subsidy for setting up Pandal in 638 hectares.

Subsidy for cultivating Greens in 1,000 hectares.

- Construction of buildings for Agricultural Engineering, Agriculture Business and Agriculture Marketing Departments in 8 Districts at a cost of Rs. 97.01 crore, by the Tamil Nadu Agriculture Marketing Board;
- Target has been fixed to cultivate Urad Dhal and Green gram in 11 lakh acres of paddy fallow lands.
- To give impetus to cultivation of pulses varieties in rice fallow lands, sale of inputs including plant protection medicines, rotators and sprinklers at subsidized prices.
- For sugar cane cultivators, an incentive of Rs. 42.50 per tonne and a special incentive of Rs. 150 will be given.
- For 91,120 sugarcane cultivators, Rs. 150.89 crore as incentives and special incentives for supplying 78.38 lakh metric tonnes of sugarcane to sugar mills has been provided.

- Online registration facilities for farmers from their homes for hiring Agriculture equipment.
- Under the Mechanization of Agriculture scheme, 2,118 units of agriculture equipment and tools provided at a subsidy of Rs. 50.73 crore;
- Hiring centres to facilitate sugarcane cultivation in 230 divisional villages.
- A new scheme, by name Sustainable Cotton Cultivation Mission, at a cost of Rs. 11 crore for cultivating extra long staple cotton varieties and to implement integrated strategies in over 25,000 acres.
- For help coconut growers get remunerative prices for their coconuts under the Price support scheme, copra will be purchased at a minimum support price.
- Copra procurement centres in 42 Regulated Markets in 21 Districts.

The Hon'ble Chief Minister is implementing various schemes for the benefit of farmers, heralding an agriculture revolution in the State.

> **There is no doubt that various steps taken by the Government of Tamil Nadu will ensure food security and nutritional protection to the people of the State, besides increasing the income of farmers.**

- Hon'ble Chief Minister of Tamil Nadu
Thiru. **M.K. Stalin**

Hon’ble Chief Minister attracts huge investments for development, jobs

Tamil Nadu is now an economic and industrial power house. It is the second largest State economy in India, accounting for 9.47 per cent of India’s Gross Domestic Product (GDP) in the financial year 2020-2021. Tamil Nadu has grown into Rs. 21.79 lakh crore economy.

The Hon’ble Chief Minister of Tamil Nadu Thiru. M.K.Stalin, has set up an ambitious target of Tamil Nadu becoming a one trillion Dollar economy by 2030-2031. This can be achieved only if the manufacturing sector takes the Centre stage for economic development. The Government of Tamil Nadu is taking several measures to attract approximately Rs. 23 lakh crore investments in the manufacturing sector and for the creation of employment opportunities for 46 lakh persons, which are necessary to achieve its growth target.

To attain the necessary growth in the manufacturing and infrastructure sectors, private and public sector units should attract more investments. Industrial development should be uniform throughout the State. Through that only extended economic growth can be achieved, which in turn creates more employment opportunities and improves the standard of living of the people in Tamil Nadu. For that, a special function –

Tamil Nadu - Investors First choice -- was organized under the chairmanship of the Hon'ble Chief Minister, Thiru. M.K.Stalin, in Chennai on 20.07.2021.

- ❖ 35 Memoranda of Understanding have been signed for investments to the tune of Rs.17,141 crore, facilitating employment to 55,054 people;
- ❖ Foundation stones laid for 9 industrial projects with Rs.4,250 crore investments, that will create employment opportunities to 21,630 persons;
- ❖ 5 new schemes have been started with Rs.7,117 crore that will lead to employment opportunities to 6,798 persons;

Totally through 49 schemes with Rs.28,508 crore investments, employment for 83,482 persons has been fetched.

On 26.08.2021, an agreement has been signed in principle with the Union Government's Small Industries Development Bank of the Finance Ministry for sanctioning Rs. 524 crore assistance for upgradation of Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises under the bank's Upgradation Fund Scheme.

The DP World Group signed a MoU with Government of Tamil Nadu, in the presence of the Hon'ble Chief Minister on 11.09.2021, for setting up Container Terminal, Small Ports, Cold Storage facilities, Multi-Purpose Warehouse Park, Modern Commercial Godown and Information Data Centre in Thoothukudi, Thiruvallur, Sriperumbudur, Salem, Erode and Coimbatore Districts, at a total cost of Rs.2,000 crore. In addition, foundation stone was laid at Ambattur for NTT Global

Data Centres and Cloud Infrastructure, that would cost Rs. 2,500 crore and create employment opportunities to 700 people.

At the Tamil Nadu in the Forefront in Exports meeting, held at Kalaivanar Arangam in Chennai on 22.09.2021:

- Release of Tamil Nadu Exports Development Policy.
- Separate manual for micro, small and medium industries.
- 24 Memoranda of Understanding for investments to the tune of Rs.2,120.54 crore have been signed to create employment opportunities for 41,695 persons.
- Land allotment orders in the newly formed Polymer Park.
- For the first time in Tamil Nadu, orders have been issued for setting up cotton godowns through Cotton Corporation of India.

An agreement has been signed with the Boeing India Ltd for manufacturing crucial aircraft parts by Aerospace Engineers Pvt Ltd., in Salem, on 27.09.2021.

At the Tamil Nadu-Investors First Choice conference held at Coimbatore on 23.11.2021, employment opportunities were created with an investment of Rs. 52,549 crore through 82 schemes.

52 Memoranda of Understanding that will create job opportunities for 74,835 persons with investments to the tune of Rs. 34,723 crore.

Memoranda of Understanding for investments of Rs.485 crore that will enable job opportunities for 1,960 persons for manufacturing spare parts for 7 Airspace and Defence organizations.

Totally 58 Memoranda of Understanding for an investment of Rs.35,208 crore that will facilitate employment to 76,795 persons.

The Hon’ble Chief Minister also laid foundation stones for 13 schemes for solar power generation, Information Data Centres, motorcycle spare parts, Lithium and Electrode manufacturing units, totalling Rs. 13,413 crore that will open employment for 11,681 persons.

The Hon’ble Chief Minister inaugurated commercial operation of 10 schemes for Information Technology Parks, Information Data Centre, electric 2 wheelers, and Motor spare parts, that will provide employment to 3,944 persons, with an investment of Rs.3,928 crore.

The Hon’ble Chief Minister laid the foundation stone for International Furniture Park at Thoothukudi on 07.03.2022 and signed Memorandum of Understanding for 33 new schemes with an investment of Rs.4,755 crore to facilitate employment for 17,476 persons.

At the International Furniture Park, 8 firms have come forward to manufacture wooden articles and leather furniture by investing Rs. 2,845 crore that will give employment to 11,450 persons.

On the occasion, the Hon’ble Chief Minister handed over the land allotment orders to M/s.Hettich India Private Ltd and M/s. Deceuninck Profiles India Ltd for setting up of manufacturing units at the International Furniture Park.

On behalf of the Industries Department, Memoranda of Understanding were signed in the presence of the Hon’ble Chief Minister for investments to the tune of Rs. 1,643 crore, that will open employment to 3,653 people. Through these MoUs, Food processing, Textiles and Apparels, fertilizer and Chemical manufacture units will be set up in Thoothukudi, Theni, Dindigul, Virudhunagar and Tirunelveli Districts.

On behalf of the Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises Department, 19 Memoranda of Understanding for an investment of Rs.267 crore that will provide employment to 2,373 persons have been signed in the presence of the Hon’ble Chief Minister. These investments are in the field of

construction, food processing, glass manufacture, textile and apparel, solar power stoves, furniture, fertilizers and medical instruments. These units will be set up in Thoothukudi, Virudhunagar, Tirunelveli, Ramanathapuram, Madurai, Dindigul and Sivagangai.

The Hon'ble Chief Minister of Tamil Nadu Thiru. M.K.Stalin, interacted with Ministers of United Arab Emirates during his tour of that country on 25.03.2022 and discussed with them the possibilities of UAE firms investing in Tamil Nadu. On 26.03.2022 Memoranda of Understanding were signed with major firms in the UAE for investing Rs. 2,600 crore in Tamil Nadu facilitating employment for 9,700 people.

- Noble Steel Industries of Dubai to invest Rs. 1,000 crore for setting up a manufacturing scheme to provide employment to 1,200 persons;
- White House, Dubai, is to set up Integrated weaving mills at a cost of Rs 500 crore that will provide employment to 3,000 persons;
- Memorandum of Understanding with Transworld Group to invest Rs. 100 crore for setting up Food Park that will give employment to 1,000 persons;
- Aster DM Healthcare signed a Memorandum of Understanding for starting hospitals with an investment of Rs. 500 crore providing employment to 3,500 persons;
- Memorandum of Understanding with the Sharaf Group for setting up a Commodities Traffic Park at a cost of Rs. 500 crore and creating employment possibilities for 1,000 persons;

Awards...

The US Embassy has lauded the Guidance Tamil Nadu. The Guidance Tamil Nadu has won the International Asia Oceania Award for being the best investment incentive agency.

- ❖ The LuLu group signed a Memorandum of Understanding in Abu Dhabi on 28.03.2022 in the presence of the Hon'ble Chief Minister for an investment of Rs. 3,500 crore.
- ❖ The firm will set up 2 big commercial complexes and an export-oriented food processing unit at a total cost of Rs.3,500 crore that will create employment to 5,000 persons.

The Government, headed by the Hon'ble Chief Minister, is marching ahead as it has formulated schemes to make Tamil Nadu an investment friendly and frontline State in Industrial growth.

"The State Government has been carrying out its task to make the Industrial growth uniform throughout the State and not confined to any particular area or district."

-Hon'ble Chief Minister of Tamil Nadu
Thiru. M.K.Stalin

Promoting women's welfare in the footsteps of Muthamizh Arignar

Muthamizh Arignar Kalaignar lauded feminism which makes equality and social justice available to women.

He fought for 33 per cent reservation for women in local bodies on the principle of gender equality. He enacted a law granting equal rights to daughters on parental properties, and had it implemented.

He empathized with the pain of women who had lost their husbands and rather than call them 'vidhavai' which brought bitter associations, addressed them as 'kaimpenn'.

He implemented Moovalur Ramamirtham Ammaiyar Marriage Assistance Scheme to promote female education leading to women's rights.

Other steps include : Development of Women's Self Help Groups Project to lay the foundation for economic progress. Revolving funds and self-employment loans to Women's Self-Help Groups. Measures to market products produced by Women's Self-Help Groups.

Muthamizh Arignar Kalaignar paved the way for the girl child to live with social security from birth to the last.

Hon'ble Chief Minister of Tamil Nadu Thiru. M.K.Stalin signed the order for free travel in Government city buses for women, one of the 5 major schemes, when he took over as Chief Minister on 07.05.2021.

During the arrival of VIPS, women constables are exempted from road security duty and they are provided easier tasks.

- Maternity leave for women Government employees has been enhanced from 9 months to 12 months.
- There are Government working women's hostels in all districts.
- Tamil Nadu State Women's Draft Policy has been unveiled.
- Under the Chief Minister's Girl Child Protection Scheme, Rs. 55.43 crore allotted for 22,164 girl children.
- Prevention of 2,970 child marriages.
- Women Odhuvars in temples.
- 40 per cent reservation for women in Government service.
- Rs. 2,756 crore loans taken by Women's Self-Help Groups cancelled.
- Rs. 3,000 crore loan assistance to Women's Self-Help Groups.

With the lofty aim of increasing the enrolment percentage of women in higher education and making education a lasting asset, 6 lakh girl students from 6th to 12th class to be given Rs.1,000 per month until the completion of graduation or ITI, under the Moovalur Ramamirtham Ammaiyar Higher Education Guarantee Scheme.

"Social justice, women's education, sustained long-term benefits, modern thinking, direct credit to students' bank accounts without intermediaries…. with such aims and features, the Moovalur Ramamirtham Ammaiyar Higher Education Guarantee Scheme is a transparent, highly promising scheme for women to pursue higher education."

- Hon'ble Chief Minister of Tamil Nadu
Thiru. M.K.Stalin

Tamil Nadu foremost in ensuring minority welfare

Tamil Nadu is in the forefront in the country in protecting the rights of minorities and ensuring their share in education, jobs and economic interests.

To maintain and protect the interests of religious and linguistic minorities and safeguard their rights, Muthamizh Arignar Kalaignar set up the Tamil Nadu Minorities Commission in 1989, Minorities Welfare Committee in 1990, Tamil Nadu Minorities Economic Development Corporation in 1999 and the Directorate of Minorities' Welfare in 2007 and conferred statutory status on the Commission under the Tamil Nadu State Minorities Commission Act of 2010 in that year.

To further embellish the Commission, the Government headed by the Hon'ble Chief Minister of Tamil Nadu Thiru. M.K. Stalin, ordered, as soon as assuming office, the reconstitution of the Commission.

The Hon'ble Chief Minister ordered the grant of 45 kg of sandal billets for the Kandhoori Santhanakoodu festival of Nagore Dargah Chinna Andavar and Periya Andavar.

Other Minorities welfare measures announced in the Legislative Assembly and are being implemented include:

- Rs. 2.76 crore allocation towards incentive to rural girl students of minority communities to study from 3rd to 6th standard without dropping out;
- Framing of guidelines to get the minority status to educational institutions;
- Relaxation of conditions for setting up cemetery in Chennai for Christians;
- Observance at state level of December 3 as Minorities Rights Day;
- Pension to the family of pensioner Ulemas after their death;
- Provision of library and sports materials to the hostels of 14 Minorities Welfare Colleges;
- Income ceiling increased to Rs. 2 lakh for students' admission in Minorities Welfare Hostels;
- Doubling of expenditure fund given to hostel students;
- Marriage assistance increased to Rs. 3,000 to men and to Rs. 5,000 to women for Ulemas and members of Labour Welfare Board;
- 1,000 free motorized sewing machines;
- Own building to the Minorities' Hostel in Theni District at a cost of Rs. 3.48 crore;
- Grant increased to Rs.60,000 to holy nuns undertaking pilgrimage to Jerusalem;
- Bi-cycles to 10,583 Ulemas and members of Labour Welfare Board at a cost of Rs. 4.76 crore;
- Additional Muslim/Christian Women Help Associations in all Districts;
- New building to Wakf Board Headquarters Office;
- Rs. 1.28 crore subsidy for construction of own buildings to 8 Wakf Regional offices;
- Rs. 1.75 crore for setting up Minorities Welfare Offices in 5 Districts and
- A Welfare Board for Preachers and servants, working in Churches.

Six thousand metric tonnes of rice, costing Rs. 13.54 crore have been given to mosques for the preparation of 'nonbu kanji' for distribution to Muslims observing the fast in the month of Ramalan.

Hon'ble Chief Minister of Tamil Nadu Thiru. M.K. Stalin stressed through letters to the Hon'ble Prime Minister on 11.11.2021 and to the Hon'ble Union Minorities Welfare Minister on 17.03.2022, the restoration of the facility to undertake Haj pilgrimage from Chennai for people from Tamil Nadu and neighboring states.

The Government steered by the Hon'ble Chief Minister is functioning with focus on the path of social justice framed by Thanthai Periyar, Perarignar Anna and Muthamizh Arignar Kalaignar with the goal of improving the social, educational and economic status of minorities.

Ensuring the welfare of the Differently-abled with motherly care

Muthamizh Arignar Kalaignar showed great affection for differently-abled persons and cared for them. According to him, such people should not be called disabled since it lowers their morale. He suggested that they should be referred to as Differently-abled persons to boost their self-confidence. To ensure their well-being, he also established the Differently-abled persons welfare board and implemented various schemes.

Muthamizh Arignar Kalaignar had created a separate department for the welfare of Differently-abled persons to look after the welfare, for the first time in India. He is the mastermind behind the implementation of various schemes including Leprosy Rehabilitation Scheme, Eye Care Scheme, Disabled Welfare Scheme, which provide equipment including tricycles, wheelchairs and aluminium walkers, monthly pension scheme, maintenance allowance, marriage allowance, free travel in Government buses, educational scholarships, college education fee, special fees and cancellation of examination fees.

Following in the footsteps of Muthamizh Arignar Kalaignar, the Hon'ble Chief Minister of Tamil Nadu has been implementing various projects to enable Differently-abled persons to live with self-respect and equal rights in society. When the Government assumed office during the Corona pandemic, he ensured hassle-free vaccination of the differently-abled through separate units in all vaccination centres for the differently-abled, separate queues and ramps and special vaccination camps when required.

The Hon'ble Chief Minister of Tamil Nadu inaugurated the District welfare office for Differently-abled persons at a cost of Rs. One crore at the Tirunelveli District Collectorate premises through video conferencing on 31.07.2021. All the Differently-abled students who had applied to write

the Class XII supplementary examinations as separate candidates were exempted from taking the examination and declared passed.

The Hon’ble Chief Minister announced that Rs.62.50 crore has been allocated to provide assistive devices to all the Differently-abled persons on the waiting list, in the Tamil Nadu Legislative Assembly on 01.09.2021.

- Assistive devices for 37,660 Differently-abled persons at a cost of Rs.70.76 crore.
- Retro-fitted petrol scooters for 1,228 Differently-abled persons.
- Maintenance allowance for 2,11,505 beneficiaries including 13,484 persons on the waiting list, at a cost of Rs. 360.21 crore.

For an assistant who travels with Differently-abled person, provision of free travel on ordinary buses operated by State Transport Corporations.

Implementation of RIGHTS scheme, at a cost of Rs. 1,709 crore, as a model project not only in our country but also in the whole world for the benefit of the Differently-abled persons.

Conferment of State Award on the occasion of International Day of Persons with Disabilities, on persons who have rendered outstanding service to the Differently-abled.

New building at Mallawadi Government rehabilitation home for rehabilitation of leprosy patients at a cost of Rs.1.65 crore.

At the Anna Centenary Library, 31 persons with visual impairment have been specially recruited for the posts of binder and binding assistant.

Free marriage scheme for Differently-abled persons in temples and temple-owned wedding halls, under the Department of Hindu Religious and Charitable Endowments.

District Differently-abled persons welfare office building is to be established at Villupuram District Collectorate premises at a cost of Rs. 1 crore.

The Hon'ble Chief Minister of Tamil Nadu has been announcing and implementing various projects on a daily basis to light up the lives of Differently-abled persons.

Tamil Nadu has been selected as the best state in India rendering outstanding service to Differently-abled persons in India and was presented with the award by the Hon'ble President of India on 03.12.2021 on the International day of persons with disabilities. Salem district has been selected as the best district in India for the rehabilitation of the disabled and has been awarded by the Hon'ble President of India.

Of the awards given to Differently-abled persons in India for outstanding performance, 6 persons with disabilities from Tamil Nadu have received the award from the Hon'ble President of India.

I am working today in the way Thalaivar Kalaignar did when he was the Chief Minister of Tamil Nadu and had the department of Differently-abled persons in his charge.

-Hon'ble Chief Minister of Tamil Nadu
Thiru. M.K. Stalin

Chief Minister who fosters welfare of Transgenders

Transgenders are a part of the community;   is the first State in India to recognize them as the third gender. Muthamizh Arignar Kalaignar, when he was the Chief Minister of the State initiated many welfare schemes, including formation of the Transgender Welfare Board to look after their welfare, social security and social recognition.

To improve the status of transgenders an App by name 'Tirunangaigal' has been developed in which their personal information is recorded. Procedure for their ID has been simplified and through the Welfare Board, services like issue of family cards, house-site pattas, dwelling houses, sewing machines, higher education assistance and formation of Self-Help Groups are undertaken.

Muthamizh Arignar Dr. Kalaignar, who implemented various socio-economic schemes for the transgenders to live with dignity, on his birthday the Hon'ble Chief Minister of Tamil Nadu announced that Trangenders can travel in Transport Corporation buses in the State without any cost. Under the scheme about 5.27 lakh transgenders utilized the service.

The State Government has been implementing various welfare schemes for transgenders:

- ❖ During the second wave of the COVID Pandemic, Rs. 1.69 crore was distributed as relief to 8,493 transgenders at Rs. 2,000 each as the first phase of payment;
- ❖ In the second phase, another Rs. 2,000 each was distributed to 8,591 transgenders, totalling Rs. 1.71 crore;
- ❖ Rs. 1.50 crore has been allotted as family pension of Rs. 1,000 per month each to transgenders who are above 40 years of age.
- ❖ Rs 1 crore has been allotted to 141 transgenders as subsidy for starting their independent units;
- ❖ Skill improvement training has been provided to transgenders through the Anna Institute of Management to improve their employment potential.
- ❖ The Transgenders Welfare Corporation has been reconstituted.

Transgenders who work effectively for the welfare of the community are selected every year and the selected transgender is given the Best Transgender award. For the year 2022, transgender A. Marlima of Villupuram District was awarded the Best Transgender Award for 25 years of service. The award consists of Rs. One lakh cash prize and a commendation certificate. The Hon'ble Chief Minister handed over the award to transgender Marlima on 18.04.2022.

“To protect the dignity of Transgenders, the Government of Tamil Nadu, which is following the path of Social Justice shown by Muthamizh Arignar Kalaignar, will continue to implement various measures for their welfare.”

- Hon'ble Chief Minister of Tamil Nadu
Thiru. M.K. Stalin

Public, General Administration, Indian Administrative Service, Indian Police Service, Indian Forest Service, Other All India Service, District Revenue Officers, Police, Home, Special Initiatives, Special Programme Implementation and Welfare of Differently-Abled persons

Hon'ble Chief Minister of Tamil Nadu

Thiru. M.K. Stalin

LAW AND ORDER

- 38 cases registered against the persons involved in the agitation related to the permanent closure of Sterlite Factory, Thoothukudi has been withdrawn.
- Financial assistance of Rs.1 lakh each was given to 93 persons who were arrested and detained by the Police during the agitation. Financial assistance of Rs.2 lakh has been given to the mother of the deceased Thiru. Bharathraj.
- "No Objection Certificate" to those persons involved in those 38 cases had been issued enabling their higher studies and employment opportunities.
- 99 defamation cases filed against the media personnel have also been withdrawn.

POLITICAL PENSION

- Freedom Fighters pension and Family Pension have been enhanced to Rs.18,000 and Rs. 9,000 respectively 961 persons have benefited under this scheme.
- Special pension paid to the descendants of Veerapandia Kattabomman, Maruthupandiar Brothers, Muthuramalinga Vijaya Raghunatha Sethupathy of Ramanathapuram and a descendant of freedom fighter Sekkizhutha Chemmal V.O.Chidambaranar have been enhanced to Rs.9,000 and at present, 146 persons benefit under this scheme.

DIRECTOR GENERAL OF POLICE DEPARTMENT

- The women constables to be exempted from the bandobust duties provided to the important personalities.
- 'Marina Beach Life Saving Unit' will be set up in the Chennai Police Department.
- 352 Four Wheelers, 396 Two Wheelers have been purchased at a cost of Rs.44.46 crore and given to Avadi and Tambaram Commissionerates.
- Rs. 90 lakh towards setting up police gymnasiums in 38 districts and 7 corporations.
- A special App to enable the police personnel to submit their grievances at a cost of Rs.25 lakh.
- "State Cyber Crime Investigation Centre" (SCCIC) was set up to investigate special cyber crime cases.
- At a cost of Rs.8.42 crore, Two Special Crime squads are to be formed in Greater Chennai City.
- To improve Police – Public relationship a "New Police Commission" was established.
- Three Tourism Police units were formed and training was given to the Police personnel at Mahabalipuram, Kodaikanal and Nilgiris.
- The police personnel from the rank of Gr.I PC to Head Constable will be given a day's break from routine duty, every week.

FIRE AND RESCUE SERVICES DEPARTMENT

- Procurement of one Aerial Ladder Platform (Skylifts) to aid in fire fighting for Tiruppur at a cost of Rs.11 crore.
- Procurement of 20 water bowzers for fire and rescue services stations for major fire fighting operations at a cost of Rs.16 crore.
- Procurement of 1,350 fire protective suits with fire-resistant shoes and fire retardant

helmets for fire fighters at a cost of Rs.8.10 crore.

- ❖ Procurement of 3,000 rescue dress to fire and rescue services personnel at a cost of Rs.2.10 crore.
- ❖ Procurement of 350 sets of self-contained breathing apparatus sets for the use of the Fire and Rescue Services Department at a cost of Rs.3.50 crore.
- ❖ Procurement of 10 Mini emergency rescue tenders for the fire and rescue services stations at a cost of Rs.9 crore.
- ❖ Procurement of 7 ultra high-pressure water tenders for the use of fire and rescue services stations at a cost of Rs.5.60 crore.
- ❖ Procurement of 25 water tenders for the major fire fighting operations by the fire and rescue services stations at a cost of Rs.18.75 crore.

TAMIL NADU UNIFORMED SERVICES RECRUITMENT BOARD

- ❖ Steps to be taken to fill the 444 Sub-Inspectors of Police posts that are vacant.

SPECIAL INITIATIVES DEPARTMENT

Chennai Metro Rail Company

- ❖ Under Chennai Metro Rail Project Phase II, construction of a total length of 118.9 km with 3 routes has commenced.
- ❖ Tiruvottiyur Theradi and Wimco nagar Workshop Metro Stations were brought into use under the Chennai Metro Rail Project Phase I Extension Project.
- ❖ Consideration to approve the detailed project report for the extension project of Chennai Metro Rail from the Airport to Kilambakkam Bus Terminal.
- ❖ Preparation of Comprehensive Project Report for Coimbatore Mass Express Transport Project is nearing completion.
- ❖ A comprehensive feasibility study report for the Madurai Mass Rapid Transit Project is nearing completion.
- ❖ Commencement of preparations for preparation of feasibility study report for mass transit systems for secondary cities, Tiruchirappalli, Salem and Tirunelveli.
- ❖ Kathipara Urban Square was inaugurated.
- ❖ Launch of separate bus services connecting to metro stations.
- ❖ Under Chennai Central Square Project, landscaping with passenger facilities and pedestrian subway opened for public use.

WELFARE OF DIFFERENTLY-ABLED PERSONS DEPARTMENT

- ❖ 2,11,391 Differently-abled persons were sanctioned maintenance allowance at the rate of Rs. 1,500 each per month out of the sanctioned amount of Rs.380.50 crore.

- 1,656 persons were sanctioned High Support Need Allowance at the rate of Rs. 1,000 each per month at an expenditure of Rs. 1.56 crore.
- 24 Assistive Devices such as Tricycle, Wheel chairs, Battery Operated Wheel Chairs, behind the ear hearing aids etc., have been provided to 37,660 Differently-abled Persons out of the special budget allocation of Rs.70.76 crore.
- Rs.698.87 lakh has been utilized for the benefit of 23,326 students.
- The Government has issued the "Tamil Nadu Guidelines for conducting examinations for persons with Disabilities, 2021".
- Rs.34.94 lakh have been sanctioned for 5 Halfway homes, which have been established to provide accommodation to mentally ill persons who have been cured but do not have a family to go back. 700 beneficiaries benefited.
- The Government has introduced Unique Disability Identity Card (UDID) Project and accordingly this Government has taken steps to issue UDID cards. So far 8,74,367 applications have been registered and 4,70,813 cards have been issued.
- The Government has taken various steps to provide 4% reservation in employment for the Differently-abled Persons Department / Public Sector undertakings, Government Schools including Aided Schools etc.,
- All Government and Private establishments publish and display an "Equal Opportunity Policy" of their establishment in which they should identify the most suitable for Differently-abled persons and ensure accessibility of workplace for differently-abled persons. So far, 993 Private establishments and 2,059 factories have published Equal Opportunity Policy.
- 3,525 posts have been identified as suitable for Differently-abled persons and 538 persons with disabilities have been provided Job placement in factories and private establishments so far.
- Free travel concession has been provided to the Differently-abled Persons to travel along with one escort in a city bus operated by the Government.
- In this NHFDC loan, the interest amount is borne by the State Government, provided that the DAPs repay the loan in time. 5,613 DAPs have been provided with a loan to the tune of Rs. 26.12 crore.
- 1,566 Differently-abled Persons have benefitted to the tune of Rs.3.23 crore by way of providing a Subsidy of Rs.25,000 or one-third of the loan amount, whichever is less to the DAPs who want to start a Micro-Enterprise/Bunk stall.
- Under PMEGP 35 Differently-abled Persons have benefitted to the tune of Rs.4.37 lakh for commencing their ventures by way of granting 5% margin money.

- ❖ Under the UYEGP scheme for a Differently-abled person, with the 5% share of the loan amount sanctioned, 61 Differently-Abled Persons have benefitted to the tune of Rs.7.32 lakh.
- ❖ 149 Differently-abled Persons have benefitted to the tune of Rs.74.50 lakh by way of Deposit borne by the Government, for them to start Aavin Parlour.
- ❖ Book binder training is provided to 17 Visually Impaired candidates at the Government Higher Secondary School for Blind, Poonamallee with a stipend of Rs.300.
- ❖ One month of training in multimedia and digital photography is provided to the 250 Differently-abled Persons to the tune of Rs.37.38 lakh.

MUDHALVARIN MUGAVARI DEPARTMENT

- ❖ Hon'ble Chief Minister of Tamil Nadu ordered the creation of an exclusive Department 'Ungal Thoguthiyil Mudhalamaichar' (UTM) to honour the commitment made to the public during the election campaign that their grievances would be redressed within 100 days from the date of formation of the new Government.
- ❖ 22,24,833 petitions were processed through this Department. 20,47,996 petitions were positively disposed and the benefits were issued.
- ❖ 32,283 land Patta, 30,455 pensions under social security schemes by the Revenue and Disaster Management Department.
- ❖ 19,665 infrastructure works including 9,444 Individual houses at a total cost of Rs. 544.27 crore under the Rural Development and Panchayat Raj Department.
- ❖ Labour and Employment Department handled petitions seeking jobs. Around 2,254 private job opportunities were provided. 12,000 persons were enrolled on coaching classes for competitive examination. 3,000 persons opted for skill development.
- ❖ The work that would usually take 2 years has been completed in 3 months.
- ❖ To continue the services to the public, the Government of Tamil Nadu decided to rename the Department 'Mudhalvarin Mugavari Thurai' by integrating it with the C.M. Special Cell, Integrated and Inclusive Public Grievance and Chief Minister's Helpline Management System (IIPGCMS), and the 'Ungal Thoguthiyil Mudhalamaichar' Department.

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Hon’ble Chief Minister inspected T1 Police Station in Ambattur, Chennai on 15.04.2022.

Hon’ble Chief Minister inspected Police Quarters in Andipatti, Theni District on 29.04.2022.

Hon'ble Minister for
Water Resources

Thiru. Duraimurugan

Irrigation Projects including small Irrigation, Legislative Assembly, Governor and Ministry, Elections and Passports, Minerals and Mines

WATER RESOURCES DEPARTMENT

- Mettur Dam was opened for timely release of water for Kuruvai cultivation, resulting in highest Kuruvai cultivation of 4.29 lakh acres in the recent part.
- In Mullai Periyar Dam, the water level reached 136 ft. for 94 days and 142 ft. for 18 days.
- 678 desilting works for an estimated amount of Rs.66.90 crore were carried out in Cauvery Delta Districts for a length of 4,213 km.
- For 2022-2023. 689 desilting works started for an estimated amount of Rs. 80 crore for a length of 4,694 km.
- Diversion of flood surplus water from Mettur Dam to dry tanks in Sarbanga Basin in Salem District by Lift

Irrigation at an estimated cost of Rs.565 crore is under implementation. An ayacut of 4,238 acres will be benefitted.

- ❖ Formation of Reservoir across Marudaiyaru River near Kottarai Village of Perambalur District at an estimated cost of Rs.149.40 crore is in progress, to benefit an ayacut of 4,194 acres.
- ❖ The Water Resources Department handled the North East Monsoon successfully in Chennai. Flood was discharged in a phased manner which ensures the safety of the people of Chennai. This year's WRD undertaking flood mitigation works for Rs. 435 crore in chennai and Sub-Urban areas.
- ❖ Ministry of Jal Shakti, Union Government has announced Tamil Nadu has been awarded "3rd Best State in Water Management"
- ❖ Kalingarayan Anaicut and Channel System, Grand Anaicut Canal (Kallanai Dam) and Veeranam Tank have got global recognition as World Heritage Irrigation Structure (WHIS).
- ❖ Operationalizing river sand quarry in a sustainable way has been restarted and sale through Water Resources Department depots has commenced to fulfil the river sand requirements of the public.
- ❖ 60 water storage structures were ordered at a cost of Rs.270.38 crore. 27 structures is proposed to construct at a cost of Rs. 321.94 crore.
- ❖ Tamil Nadu Water Resources Information Management System (TN-WRIMS) is proposed to implement.
- ❖ Tamil Nadu Satellite based Water Bodies Information, Monitoring and Protection System (TN-SWIP) is proposed to develop.

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY

- ❖ Centenary celebrations of the Tamil Nadu Legislature took place and the Hon'ble President of India unveiled the portrait of Muthamizh Arignar Kalaignar, at the Tamil Nadu Legislative Assembly chamber, on 02.08.2021.
- ❖ For the first time in the history of Tamil Nadu, paperless e-Budgets were presented in the House.
- ❖ Implementing "Paperless Assembly", the Hon'ble Members were provided with Touch screen tablet devices along with SIM cards.

- Tamil Nadu e-Governance agency is taking steps to digitize all the important documents from 1921, at a cost of Rs. 2.17 crore.
- Steps were initiated to telecast live the Assembly proceedings through Doordarshan and Tamil Nadu Cable TV's landing channel.
- The third Session of the 16th Assembly of the Tamil Nadu Legislative Assembly which was convened with the Governor's address was telecasted live.
- On 06.01.2022 and 07.01.2022, Question hour was telecasted live. Live telecast of the Hon'ble Chief Minister's reply to the debate on the Hon'ble Governor's address was done. The videos of these sessions were also provided on social media such as YouTube, Twitter and Facebook through Information and Public Relations Department.
- The special meeting that took place on 08.02.2022 for NEET exemption was also telecasted live throughout. The Budget submitted on 18.03.2022 and the agricultural budget submitted on 19.03.2022 were live telecasted. The Question Hour of the budget session which took place from 21.03.2022 till 23.03.2022 was also live telecasted. The Question Hour of the present Budget session from 06.04.2022 was also telecasted live.
- Aavin parlour near the main entrance of MLAs' residential complex was opened.
- A shuttle court, stormwater drain with platforms, parks adjoining MLA's residential complex, and road linking Swami Sivananda salai and Walajah salai works were executed at the cost of Rs.4.29 crore.
- All MLAs' Quarters have been renovated at a cost of Rs. 99.48 lakh.
- Repair works in the Amenity block have been done at a cost of Rs.1.83 crore.

MINERALS AND MINES

- The revenue acquired from the mineral sector is Rs.1,179.21 crore.
- Establishment of a Green Fund in each district for reclamation and rehabilitation of abandoned quarries/mines.
- The Government have inserted a new Rule 44, in Tamil Nadu Minor Mineral Concession Rules, 1959 for the removal of Earth up to 1.5 metres from the top, for the betterment of agricultural lands and to utilize that for the manufacture of bricks.

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Honble Chief Minister received grievance petitions from the Public on the way to Mettur on 12.06.2021

Honble Chief Minister interacted with College students at Thoothukudi on 07.03.2022

Municipal Administration, Urban and Water Supply

Hon’ble Minister for
Municipal Administration
Thiru. K.N.Nehru

DIRECTORATE OF MUNICIPAL ADMINISTRATION

Kalaignar Nagarpura Mempattu Thittam

- Basic infrastructure facilities in municipalities and town panchayats to be upgraded at an estimated cost of Rs.1000 crore.
- Kalaignar Nagarpura Mempattu Thittam envisage to complete 597 works at an estimated cost of Rs.543.39 crore.

Namakku Naame Thittam

- Under the Namakku Naame Thittam, 74 works to be completed in corporations at an estimated cost of Rs.24.65 crore, and 190 works at a cost of Rs.23.49 crore with due permission.

Tamil Nadu Urban Employment Scheme

- Tamil Nadu Urban Employment Scheme at a cost of Rs.75 crore is providing employment for 1,84,541 persons, and 1,21,280 manpower days has been generated.

Library cum Knowledge centres

- 42 Library cum Knowledge centres at a cost of Rs.87.2 crore are being constructed under KNMT, GCF and Smart City schemes.

Rejuvenation of water bodies

- Works are taken up for the rejuvenation of 150 water bodies at a cost of Rs.300 crore in 14 Corporations & 121 Municipalities by defoliating funds to tie up under various schemes viz. KNMT, NNT (U),AMRUT 2.0,KfW,CGF,15th CFC.

Modern crematorium

- 52 Crematoriums have been taken up for modernizing in Corporations and Municipalities at a cost of Rs.80.33 crore.

Construction and Renovation of public and community toilets

- The construction of 162 community toilets at a cost of Rs.64.80 crore and 49 public toilets at a cost of Rs.81.96 crore is sanctioned under SBM 2.0.Further, the renovation of 446 toilets at a cost of Rs.17.52 crore has been taken up from the CGF interest fund.

Removal of legacy waste

- In order to clear the legacy waste, Bio-mining work has been taken up in Madurai and Tiruchirappalli corporations at a cost of Rs.70.75 crore and in 8 Municipalities at a cost of Rs.13 crore.

Renovation of parks

- Similarly, 106 parks are renovated with funds tie-up under various schemes viz. KNMT, NNT, CGF, 15th CFC.

Street lights

- 12,710 new lights with poles supplied by ULB in 11 Corporations and 18 Municipalities, Replacement of 3,11,601 existing street lights will be taken up in 87 Municipalities and 4 Corporations at a cost of Rs.385.95 crore. 59,487 new street lights with EB poles in 16 corporations at a cost of Rs.75.30 crore.

Markets

- Construction work of 11 new Markets has been taken up under CGF, KNMT and own fund. Renovation of 19 markets has been sanctioned under KNMT at a cost of Rs.88.65 crore.

Roads

- It is the vision of the Government to convert all earthen roads into All-Weather Roads. 710 new road works at a cost of Rs.277.66 crore under KNMT, CGF, 15th CFC and Model city. Moreover, 3,046 restoration road works for the length of 538.23 km at a cost of Rs.442.92 crore have been taken up.

COMMISSIONERATE OF TOWN PANCHAYATS

- Under NABARD (RIDF-XXVII) scheme Administrative Sanction has been accorded for 192 Road works and 11 culvert works at a cost of Rs.200.70 crore.
- Under TURIF Scheme 175 Road works were taken up at a cost of Rs.82.99 crore covering a length of 122.7 2 kms.
- Under CGF 176 infrastructure works were taken up at a cost of Rs.223.16 crore.
- Under the Operational and maintenance scheme, 366 works have been taken up at a cost of Rs. 74.39 crore.
- Under the 15th Finance Commission, Works have been taken up as per guidelines for the Tied Grant at a cost of Rs. 166.10 crore and Untied Grant at a cost of Rs. 110.72 crore.
- Under HFA, 11,253 new beneficiaries were identified and DPRs are approved by Central Sanctioning and Monitoring Committee.
- Under NULM, in order to improve the livelihood of 228 Street Vendors in Velankanni Town Panchayat Push Carts at a cost of Rs. 1.88 crore are provided.

- Under PM-SVANidhi, 61,611 Street Vendors have been uploaded to the PMSVANidhi website.
- Under Kalaignar Nagarpura Mempattu Thittam 800 works have been taken up at an estimated cost of Rs.473.09 crore.
- Under Namakku NaameThittam, 134 works like Roads, Rejuvenation of Water Bodies and Park Development are taken up at a cost of Rs.12.76 crore.
- Under Tamil Nadu Urban Employment Scheme, 83,757 beneficiaries were found to be willing to work under this scheme, 192 works are taken up at a cost of Rs.27.75 crore in 37 Town Panchayats.
- Under AMRUT 2.0, Water Supply works, Improvement of Parks, and Improvement / Rejuvenation of Water Bodies works have been taken up in 119 Town Panchayats at a cost of Rs. 1,695.58 crore.
- In order to prevent accidents on hilly area roads, approval has been accorded for Metal Beam Crash Barriers at a cost of Rs.5.05 crore under Kalaignar Nagarpura Membattu Thittam and Rs.2.39 crore under General Funds.
- Under SBM 2.0, in 23 Town Panchayats Bio-Mining works at a cost of Rs. 16.81 crore has been approved by the 2nd State High Powered Committee.
- Prevention and Control of COVID-19 activities were carried out in all the Town Panchayats with the financial assistance of Rs. 7.07 crore.
- Under Awards, "Hon'ble Chief Ministers" Award Tamil Nadu on the occasion of Independence Day Celebration was given to Kallakudi, Melpattambakkam and Kottaiyur Town Panchayats.
- Compassionate Ground Appointment has been provided to 46 persons in Town Panchayats Administration.

CHENNAI METROPOLITAN WATER SUPPLY AND SEWERAGE BOARD

- CMWSS Board for the first time in the past 40 years, commenced supplying 1000 Million litres of drinking water to the citizens of the city from August 2021.
- CMWSSB has carried out a mass desilting programme in the entire sewer system as a precautionary measure before the onset of the monsoon.
- In 801 thickly populated streets, 258 desilting machines, 142 jet rodding machines and 54 super suckers were engaged in the mass cleaning of sewerage pipes and complete desilting.
- 7,228 drinking water connections and 17,404 sewerage connections were given to house holds.
- Water supply through 8,81,000 free trips of water lorries was made for areas without water supply facilities.
- CMWSSB took all the efforts to clear the stagnated rainwater in the inundated places of the city during the North-East Monsoon, by engaging 59 sucker machines, and 142 jet rodding machines to clean the obstruction in the sewer system, 260 desilting machines and 2,000 field workers in the flood mitigation works.
- To clear the water flooding into the households and to ensure public health, additional 110 sewer lorries from other districts and 219 dewatering pump sets were engaged to clear the water.
- The ongoing water supply schemes in the added areas of Chennai city at a cost of Rs.107.74 crore have been completed and will be put into public use shortly.
- The additional sewerage pumping station at Nilamangai Nagar, Alandur at a cost of Rs.25.52 crore has been completed and will be put into use shortly.

- Work of the underground sewerage scheme (UGSS) to Madipakkam at a cost of Rs.256.90 crore has been sanctioned.
- Revised DPR for water supply schemes for Neelangarai and Semmenchery have been prepared at a cost of Rs.75 crore and Rs.44 crore respectively.
- DPRs for providing UGSS for the 16 areas and left out streets in Chennai have been revised at a cost of Rs.2,553.10 crore for implementation.
- Mitigation proposals for the prevention of sewage outfalls directly into Adyar Rivers at 39 locations were taken up under CRRT by carrying out 7 interception and diversion works and 2 modular STPs. Two works have been completed and 12 outfalls have been plugged, at a cost of Rs. 123.19 crore.
- CMWSSB has taken up the proposal of plugging sewage outfalls in the Adyar and Cooum rivers, associated drains of Cooum, Adyar, Buckingham Canal and its drains. 36 works were taken up for a value of Rs.364.80 crore.
- Under Ungal Thoguthiyil Muthalamaichar, 543 petitions have been redressed.

TAMIL NADU WATER SUPPLY AND DRAINAGE BOARD

Water Supply Schemes:

- CWSS to 293 Rural Habitations in Musiri, Thathaiyangarpettai, Thuraiyur and Uppiliyapuram Unions of Tiruchirappalli District at a cost of Rs. 140.22 crore. Benefitting a population of 1.59 lakh.
- CWSS to Uthangarai Town Panchayat & 50 other habitations of Uthangarai Union at an estimated cost of Rs. 28.24 crore. Benefitting a population of 52,000.
- Improvement of Water supply Distribution system to Vellore Corporation at an estimated cost of Rs. 275.11 crore. Benefitting a population of 7.20 lakh.
- CWSS to Annur, Mooperipalayam, Avinashi, Sulur and Bulk quantity to 155 Rural Habitations in Palladam and Tiruppur Unions at an estimated cost of Rs. 241 crore. Benefitting a population of 94,000.
- CWSS to Nakondanpalli and 27 other habitations of Hosur Union at an estimated cost of Rs. 8.10 crore benefitting a population of 17,000.
- CWSS to Rayakottai & 28 habitations of Kelamangalam Union at an estimated cost of Rs. 8.46 crore benefitting a population of 21,000.
- CWSS to 274 rural habitations of Thanthoni Union at an estimated cost of Rs. 81.41 crore benefitting a population of 73,000.
- CWSS to 155 rural habitations of Palladam and Tiruppur Unions at an estimated cost of

Rs. 99.24 crore benefitting a population of 1.92 lakh.

- ❖ CWSS to 212 rural habitations of Pollachi (South), Pollachi (North) and Kinathukadavu Unions at an estimated cost of Rs. 69.31 crore benefitting a population of 70,000.
- ❖ Water Supply Improvement Scheme to Namakkal Municipality at an estimated cost of Rs. 185.24 crore benefitting a population of 1.59 lakh.
- ❖ CWSS to Perundurai and 7 other Town Panchayats including 547 wayside rural habitations in Erode and Tiruppur Districts at an estimated cost of Rs. 224 crore benefitting a population of 4.49 lakh.
- ❖ CWSS to 5 Town Panchayats and 318 rural habitations of Madathukkulam and Udumalpet Unions in Tiruppur District at an estimated cost of Rs. 85.75 crore. benefitting a population of 3.37 lakh.
- ❖ CWSS to 17 rural habitations in Panruti and 18 rural habitations of Annagramam Union in Cuddalore district at an estimated cost of Rs. 9.21 crore benefitting a population of 42,000.
- ❖ CWSS to Velagalahalli and 39 other rural habitations of Krishnagiri Union at an estimated cost of Rs. 9.90 crore benefitting a population of 11,000.
- ❖ Water Supply Improvement Scheme to Balasamudram Town Panchayat in Dindigul District at an estimated cost of Rs. 9.62 crore benefitting a population of 16,000.

Under Ground Sewerage Schemes

- ❖ UGSS to Manachanallur Town Panchayat in Tiruchirappalli District at an estimated cost of Rs. 34.39 crore benefitting a population of 36,000.
- ❖ UGSS to S. Kannanur Town Panchayat in Tiruchirappalli District at an estimated cost of Rs. 21.58 crore benefitting a population of 18,000.
- ❖ UGSS to Vallam Town Panchayat in Thanjavur District at an estimated cost of Rs. 35 crore benefitting a population of 20,000.
- ❖ UGSS to Perundurai Town Panchayat in Erode District at an estimated cost of Rs. 51.50 crore benefitting a population of 33,000.
- ❖ UGSS to Thoothukudi Corporation at an estimated cost of Rs. 95 crore benefitting a population of 2.65 lakh.

New Combined Water Supply Schemes

- ❖ Administrative sanction for 6 CWSS covering 1 municipality, 8 town panchayats and 1,442 rural habitations in 6 districts at a cost of Rs. 2,327.53 crore benefiting a population of 11.28 lakh.

GREATER CHENNAI CORPORATION

PUBLIC HEALTH DEPARTMENT

I) PREVENTION AND CONTROL OF COVID-19

- ❖ The Greater Chennai Corporation faced the COVID 19 pandemic and has successfully controlled the first wave of COVID 19 pandemic from a peak of 2,393 cases to an average of 50 cases.
- ❖ The Greater Chennai Corporation faced challenges during the second wave of the COVID 19 pandemic such as a shortage of 108 Ambulances and a shortage of COVID 19 Vaccines.
- ❖ The Greater Chennai Corporation formulated unique strategies such as the Car-Ambulance model and vaccination for the disabled in their homes, which have been praised by the Hon'ble Prime Minister of India in the presence of the Hon'ble Chief Minister of Tamil Nadu.
- ❖ The monthly average case fatality rate has decreased from 3.66 % at the peak to 1.20%.

- GCC has established 21 screening centres and 21 COVID care centres with 952 Oxygen Concentrators for the management of cases during the 2nd wave. Twenty-one screening centres and 5 COVID care centres were established during the 3rd wave.
- Chennai model has been praised by the National media and articles published in national dailies like the Frontline, Outlook and various dailies.
- GCC engaged 1,535 COVID volunteers to do house to house care of patients and to provide drug kits for home isolation patients.

COVID-19 Vaccination

- 54,89,743 persons have received their 1st dose vaccination and 46,32,288 beneficiaries have received their 2nd dose vaccination.
- A special Vaccination drive was conducted for differently-abled persons which was inaugurated by the Hon'ble Chief Minister and the focus on disabled persons was praised by the Hon'ble Prime Minister of India. A total of 21,558 disabled persons have been vaccinated till now.
- Home-based vaccination for Elderly people who are of more than 80 years of age.
- 12,051 Lactating mothers and 17,857 Antenatal mothers have been vaccinated.
- Every week Static and Mobile Vaccination camps are being conducted in 1,600 locations.
- 28 Mega vaccination camps have been conducted and 37,11,689 persons have benefited so far.
- 3,84,194 doses have been administered for the age group 15-18 years.
- 1,49,874 precautionary doses of vaccination have been administered for the frontline workers and people above 60years of age with comorbidities.

Dialysis Center

- The Greater Chennai Corporation has established 6 dialysis centres functioning under the Chief Minister health insurance scheme in which through 68 dialysis machines, 518 patients have benefited.

Vector Control Section

- Introducing Drones to Spray Mosquito Larvicidal Oil in Waterways for mosquito control.
- Supply of free reflecting overcoats and caps with Greater Chennai Corporation symbols to National Urban Livelihood Mission Malaria workers.
- Procured 2 Cold fill Nebulizer/Atomiser electric sprayers for effective and efficient disinfection/mosquito control.

VETERINARY PUBLIC HEALTH

Animal Birth Control Programme

- To manage the stray dog population and control the stray dog menace. 3 Animal Birth Control Centers are being run by Greater Chennai Corporation.
- After receiving the complaints about stray dogs from the public through toll-free no.1913. A total of 16 dogs catching vehicles are deployed for dog catching operations. 17,556 stray dogs have been caught.
- 14,627 stray dogs have been sterilized, more than 200 workers provided with rabies vaccine.

Control of Stray Cattle menace

- The team is comprised of Cattle Catchers, Sanitary Inspectors, Sanitary Officers, Veterinary Assistant Surgeons and Zonal Health Officers with available cattle catching vehicles.
- The cattle caught are impounded in the 'D' and 'G' cattle pounds. Impounded cattle are handed over to the cattle owners after collecting the fine amount of Rs.1,550.

- 3,208 Stray cattle were caught and Rs.35.14 lakh was collected as a fine.

Veterinary Pet Clinic

- Four centres are being maintained by the Greater Chennai Corporation, for providing treatment and vaccination for the pets. 16,957 dogs were given free treatment.

Birth and Death

- The Greater Chennai Corporation has made birth and death certificates available online.
- All the Birth and Death services provided by the GCC are free of charge. 20,50,753 birth certificates and 33,03,188 death certificates were downloaded from the website.

National Tuberculosis Elimination Programme

- The National Tuberculosis Elimination Programme aims at eliminating TB by 2025. 36 TB Units, 162 Designated Microscopic Centres, 13 CBNAAT & 13 TRUNAT centres are functional in Chennai.
- GCC offers free molecular-based diagnostic services for private-sector patients.
- GCC has 7 Mobile vans diagnostic units X-ray facility.10,548 TB cases have been notified. 3,626 Drug Sensitive-TB and 184 Drug Resistant-TB patients are presently on treatment.

Chennai District Blindness Control Society

- GCC has started eye screening activities in 43 UPHCs. A mobile ophthalmic unit is proposed to be set up. It has been planned to reduce the prevalence of blindness to 0.25% by 2025.
- Free spectacles have been given to Corporation schools, Government and Government aided school children after screening them.
- 9,079 Free cataract surgeries were done and 1,408 eyeballs were collected.

National Urban Health Mission

- The NUHM supports 140 Urban Primary Health Centres (UPHC), 16 Urban Community Health Centres (UCHC) and 3 Maternity Hospitals (MH).
- A total of 81,52,824 patients have benefited from 159 health facilities. 11,546 mothers have delivered including 5,485 LSCS, 6,061 normal deliveries and 5,355 sterilizations were conducted in UCHCs and MHs.
- Awards have been issued to 5 UPHCs to provide Standard Quality services under the Quality Assurance programme. 39 UPHCs and 9 UCHCs have been awarded as the winner and the runner of the KAYAKALP Award.

Multi Speciality Hospitals with specialised Services

❖ Polyclinic is an "Outpatient Speciality Clinic" established in 36 UPHCs across Chennai Corporation to provide "FIXED DAY FIXED SPECIALITY"multiple specialist outpatient services to reduce the out-of-pocket expenditure incurred by the urban population.

❖ The services include Consultation & minor ailment procedures, Lab Investigations are provided from 4.30 PM to 8.30 PM. A total of 35,394 Patients benefited.

Makkalai Thedi Maruthuvam (MTM)

❖ "Makkalai Thedi Maruthuvam" has been implemented in all 15 Zones.

❖ Screening and distribution of NCD drugs at the doorstep to urban people and 15 Mobile teams have been formed with Staff Nurse & physiotherapists for providing Palliative Care, Physiotherapy and Peritoneal Dialysis services.

❖ Through the scheme 51,257 Hypertensive patients, 42,578 Diabetic patients and 49,277 patients suffering from both hypertension and diabetes have been issued with respective MTM drug boxes.

❖ 8,852 Patients have been provided Palliative Care and 10,055 Patients have been provided physiotherapy and 21 Peritoneal dialysis patients have been served.

Health and Wellness Centres

❖ To strengthen the health care delivery system in urban areas,The Greater Chennai Corporation will establish 140 urban Health and Wellness centres and other facilities under grants from the fifteenth finance Commission at a cost of Rs.88.30 crore.

Amma Unavagam

❖ 402 Amma Unavagams are functioning properly. 3.9 lakh persons have consumed in Amma Unavagam.

❖ Tamil Nadu construction workers'welfare board's workers can consume free food and 54,664 workers benefited.

❖ The Mobile Amma Unavagam scheme was implemented to provide/serve the food at the construction site to the construction workers. 3 vehicles for each region were allotted and 1,30,015 persons benefited.

❖ The Hon'ble Chief Minister of Tamil Nadu had ordered to provide free food to the public in all Amma Unavagams till the end of the rainy season free of cost and this has been consumed by 13,68,385 people.

National Urban Livelihood Mission-Shelter for Urban Homeless

❖ At present 42 shelters for the urban homeless and 13 special shelters for inpatient attendees inside the hospital are running successfully. Action has been initiated to start the additional 29 shelters.

❖ Out of the 1,765 beneficiaries in the shelters, welfare assistance has been given to 1,312 persons.

❖ The first dose of the COVID-19 vaccines has been taken by 1,091 persons and the second dose has been taken by 843 persons.

District Aids Prevention and Control Unit - DAPCU

❖ 840 HIV positive cases were identified and treatment was given.

❖ Anti Retroviral Treatment was given to 7,452 patients.

❖ Out of the awareness programme conducted to the community 20,000 members are benefited.

MEDICAL SERVICE DEPARTMENT

❖ Through the 22 mega vaccination camps, for 18 years & above age group, the first dose has been taken by 54,89,743 persons and the second dose has been taken by 46,32,288 persons and for the 15 to 18 years age group, 2,19,977 persons have taken up the first dose, 1,64,217 persons have taken

up the second dose and precautionary dose was taken by 1,49,874 persons.

- ❖ Complete vaccination has been done for 98% of the children.
- ❖ 69% have benefitted from the Dr. Muthulakshmi Reddy Maternity Benefit Scheme.
- ❖ Under the Moovalur Ramamirtham Ammayar Marriage Assistance Scheme, 55 beneficiaries have got 440 grams of gold coin.
- ❖ Under the Janani Suraksha Yojana, Rs. 600 has been given to each of the 4,745 beneficiaries, at a cost of Rs. 28.47 lakh.

EDUCATION DEPARTMENT

- ❖ Student enrollment in Chennai Schools of Greater Chennai Corporation has increased to 1,15,580 when compared to the last academic year.
- ❖ 5,130 students studied in 12th standard, out of 32 Chennai Higher Secondary Schools. 641 students secured more than 81% marks, and 35 students secured more than 91% marks.
- ❖ Under the Singara Chennai 2.0 Scheme, 22 schools additional classrooms are proposed to be constructed at a cost of Rs.67.83 crore.
- ❖ Under the Nirbhaya Fund, girls' toilets will be renovated in 132 schools and sanitary napkins will be distributed to the girl students in 159 schools for the sake of menstrual hygiene, at a cost of Rs.23.66 crore.
- ❖ Security cameras (CCTV) will be installed in 159 schools to improve the safety of girls under the Nirbhaya Fund at a cost of Rs.5.47 crore.
- ❖ Under the Nirbhaya Fund, self-defence and playground renovation will be taken up in 93 schools as a measure to boost the confidence of girls and for them to participate in various sports competitions at a cost of Rs.6.91 crore.
- ❖ Two residential model schools have been started at a cost of Rs.3.59 crore.
- ❖ 10,279 dual desks are being procured from TANSI, through the Smart City Fund at a cost of Rs.9.80 crore.
- ❖ So far, 2,000 teachers had undertaken ICT Training at a cost of Rs.1.50 crore.
- ❖ Leadership development for HMs, AHMs, and Senior Teachers in Chennai Schools (CITIIS) had been undertaken at a cost of Rs.2.45 crore.
- ❖ SMS and LRMS system development for Chennai Schools (CITIIS) had been undertaken at a cost of Rs.59,000.
- ❖ The Model and SMART Chennai Schools project under the CITIIS (City Investments to Innovate, Integrate and Sustain) had been initiated and it is being implemented in 18 Campuses covering 28 Schools for Rs.95.25 crore of which Chennai Smart City Limited is contributing Rs. 19.05 crore.
- ❖ The Greater Chennai Corporation runs an Industrial Training Institute, affiliated with the National Council of Vocational Training (NCVT) of the Union Government and provides various courses for skilled students. After the completion of these courses, the trainees are provided with job opportunities in various industries by the institute.
- ❖ Various skill development courses like computer software, paramedical courses, baking and confectionery making, and jute bag-making are taught at these 3 community colleges.

SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT

- ❖ For bio-mining of legacy waste accumulated in Perungudi dumping ground for several years, after getting approved from the Government to execution of removing 3.6 lakh cubic meters of solid waste segregation

and work was entertained to various agencies at a cost of Rs.350.65 crore.

- Kodungaiyur Dumping ground for bio-mining of legacy waste accumulated there for several years, technical advisors appointed to prepare Detailed Feasibility Report (DFR).

STORM WATER DRAIN

Construction of Integrated Storm Water Drain (Kosasthalaiyaru Basin)

- Integrated Storm Water drain in the Kosasthalaiyaru basin area, 769 km in length, is being carried out in 46 packages under the Asian Development Bank (ADB) fund at a cost of Rs.3,220 crore.16.50 per cent of the work has been completed at a cost of Rs. 335 crore. About 30 lakh people living in Ambattur, Manali, Madhavaram and Tiruvottiyur will benefit from this integrated Storm Water drain project.

Construction of Integrated Storm Water Drain (Kovalam Basin)

- Integrated storm water drain structures M1, M2 and M3 are planned to cover a length of 360 km at a cost of Rs.1,714 crore in the Kovalam basin area.
- In the first phase, tenders have been sought for the construction of 39.78 km of an integrated Storm Water drain at a cost of Rs.150 crore and the details have been sent to the KFW for approval.
- In the second phase, the Rs. 464.43 crore value of integrated storm water drain in 9 packages has been sent to KFW Bank for approval.
- M3 project work will be carried out at an estimated cost of Rs.270.30 crore in 14 packages. If the project is implemented, about 8 lakh people living in the Perungudi, Sholinganallur and Alandur zones will benefit from this integrated storm water drain project.

Demolition of Damaged Storm Water Drain and Construction of New Storm Water Drain, Construction of Storm Water Drain in Missing Areas - World Bank Fund

- Tamil Nadu Sustainable Urban Development Project (TNSUDP) has been approved for the construction of Storm Water drains in the Greater Chennai corporation at a cost of Rs. 120 crore under the World Bank fund. Work orders have been issued for 39 packages and work is underway on 40.92 km at the cost of Rs.109.93 crore. So far 10 percent of the work has been completed.
- In addition, re-bids have been sought for 4 packages and the work order will be issued for 2 packages.

Construction of Storm Water Drain Under Infrastructure and Amenities Fund

- Construction of 9.81 km of a Storm Water drain at a cost of Rs.26.28 crore.

Construction of Storm Water Drain under the Capital Grant Fund of Tamil Nadu Government

- 2.05 km of storm water drain works at a cost of Rs. 7.40 crore.

Construction of Storm Water Drain Under Singara Chennai 2.0

- To construct new structures and to develop the city in line with international standards.
- Under Singara Chennai 2.0 project, to construct 45.23 km of Storm Water drains at a cost of Rs.186.47 crore.
- Estimates have been submitted to the Tamil Nadu Urban Finance and Infrastructure Development Corporation (TUFIDCO) for approval to construct 20.15 km of storm water drain at a cost of Rs. 70 crore under the Singara Chennai 2.0 project.

Reconstruction and rejuvenation of water bodies

- To increase the storage capacity of water bodies and increase the ground water level, 20 water bodies in Greater Chennai Corporation have been identified for reconstruction at a cost of Rs. 200 crore and tenders have been sought for 2 water bodies under the Singara Chennai 2.0 project at a cost of Rs. 1.85 crore.
- Estimates for 7 more water bodies for Reconstruction will be submitted to TUFIDCO.
- Under Namakku Namae Scheme, reconstruction work of 2 water bodies at a cost of Rs. 1.40 crore is in progress.

BUS ROUTE ROADS DEPARTMENT

- 149 roads to a length of 103.66 Km at a cost of Rs.100.13 crore under the TURIF scheme.
- Under the Special Road Programme scheme, relaying of 57 roads to a length of 34.83 Km at a cost of Rs.84.57 crore has been completed.
- Under Tamil Nadu Urban Road Infrastructure Project, 57 Pedestrian-Friendly Footpaths to a length of 65.51 km at a cost of Rs.68.65 crore and relaying of 19 roads to a length of 9.48 km at a cost of Rs.9.08 crore have been completed.
- Under the Singara Chennai 2.0 scheme, relaying of 55 roads to a length of 36.62 km at a cost of Rs.34.37 crore has been completed.

Interior Roads

- 539 interior roads under TURIP Phase I & II to a length of 83.41 km at an estimated cost of Rs.46.76 crore have been completed.
- 619 interior roads under CMCDM Priority I & II to a length of 82.15 km for Rs.43.12 crore have been completed.
- Under Tamil Nadu Urban Development Fund (TNUDF), a total of 264 interior roads of 46.57 km at a cost of Rs.19.15 crore.
- 979 interior roads to a length of 148.24 km under the Special Road Programme at a cost of Rs.68.86 crore.
- Under the SDRF scheme, relaying of 214 roads to a length of 35.53 Km at a cost of Rs.20.18 crore has been completed.

BRIDGES DEPARTMENT

- 11 works are in progress at a cost of Rs.242.69 crore.
- To construct flyover/bridges in 8 locations at a cost of Rs.517.14 crore.

ELECTRICAL DEPARTMENT

- In the newly developed areas at the extended zones of Greater Chennai Corporation,

1,533 numbers of new street lamp posts with energy-saving LED streetlights have been erected and lit up, at a cost of Rs.10.76 crore under the CMCDM scheme.

- The work setting up of Dynamic Lighting for Suspension Bridge, Villivakkam Tank at a cost of Rs.2.02 crore under the Smart City fund.
- Under the Singara Chennai 2.0 Scheme, illumination of the Ripon Building with RGB Dynamic Lighting at a cost of Rs.1.81 crore.

PARK DEPARTMENT

- 94 parks are being maintained by Greater Chennai Corporation's own workers, 567 parks are being maintained by private contractors through outsourcing and 57 parks are being maintained under adoption.
- The 28 Parks have been proposed by Singara Chennai 2.0 scheme at a cost of Rs.24.43 crore. 22 parks have been constructed in open space land and steps for constructing 6 parks in progress.
- 1,53,474 tree saplings were planted in roadside parks, playgrounds, Burial grounds and OSR Lands.

PLAYFIELD

- There are 895 playgrounds are being maintained by Greater Chennai Corporation.
- The approval has been obtained from TUFIDCO to develop the 18 Playgrounds under Singara Chennai 2.0 scheme at a cost of Rs. 12.57 crore.
- At a cost of Rs.2 crore for a new formation of playgrounds urban forest at Canal bank road, near Patrician College, Kotturpuram.
- Singara Chennai 2.0 project for approval has to be obtained to construct a modern playground at a cost of Rs.10.58 crore.

SMART CITY

- Under Smart City Fund, a Green Building for Command and Control Center in Ripon Building Campus at a cost of Rs.47 crore.
- Under the Smart City fund, the Construction of a Suspension Bridge at Villivakkam Tank at a cost of Rs. 7.27 crore and stainless steel handle at a cost of Rs. 1.47 crore.
- Under TURIF,the Creation of a leisure Cycle track with a vibrant landscape along the banks of Buckingham Canal from Kasturibai Nagar MRTS to Thiruvanmiyur MRTS Station, Reach-I and II, for at a cost of Rs. 20 crore are in progress.

Installation of Chennai Metropolitan Area Intelligent Transport Systems (JICA)

- The project is meant to construct an efficient intelligent transport system to meet the increasing traffic demands in Chennai Metropolitan Area. The project is at a cost of Rs.905 crore with loan assistance from Japan International Cooperation Agency (JICA).

Greater Chennai Corporation Schools to be modernized with the assistance of the French Development Agency Fund (CITIIS)

- The CITIIS project for Modern and Smart Schools is being implemented with financial assistance from French Development Agency (AFD). Across 28 schools on 18 campuses at a cost of Rs. 95.25 crore. Additional works in 281 schools in Chennai.

Women's Safety in Public Places in Chennai-Nirbhaya Fund

- The "Remote Monitoring of Street Lighting" component, at a cost of Rs.14.07 crore, has been completed.
- For the women's health program, 15 specialized mobile toilets and related equipment at a cost of Rs 5.40 crore.
- "Safety Monitoring in GCC schools with Girls" component, at a cost of Rs.5.47 crore for installing CCTV Camera.

- "Menstrual Hygiene Management in GCC Schools" at a cost of Rs. 4.79 crore.
- "Construction of Homeless Shelter for Women with Disability" at a cost of Rs. 3.08 crore.
- "Safe Toilets in GCC schools with Girls" at a cost of Rs. 18.87 crore.

CHENNAI RIVERS RESTORATION TRUST PROJECTS

- Greater Chennai Corporation has taken up the project of providing permanent fencing along the river bunds of the Cooum and Adyar rivers.
- Providing permanent fencing along both sides of the Cooum river from Napier Bridge to Maduravoyal Bypass Road to a length of 23.92 km at a cost of Rs.45.68 crore has been taken up.
- Providing permanent fencing along both sides of the Adyar river from Thiru.Vi.Ka. Bridge to Airport Runway Bridge to a length of 24.67 km at a project cost of Rs.66.16 crore has been taken up.
- Formation of maintenance way with 60,000 riverine plantations along both sides of Adyar river from Thiru.Vi.Ka. Bridge to Kotturpuram Bridge has been taken up at a cost of Rs.11.20 crore and park & playground works at a cost of Rs. 9.41 crore.

BUILDINGS DEPARTMENT

- 3 school buildings are being constructed at a cost of Rs.3.37 crore.
- 18 Urban Primary Health Centers are being constructed at a cost of Rs.48.76 crore.
- 2 Urban Community Health Centers are being constructed at a cost of Rs.18.33 crore.
- 12-night shelters are being constructed at a cost of Rs.8.62 crore.
- 3 Anganwadis are being constructed at a cost of Rs.90 lakh.
- 1 Dhobikhana with Rest Room is being constructed at a cost of Rs.1.73 crore.
- 2 Community Halls are being constructed at a cost of Rs.1.44 crore.
- 1 Electronic voting machine storage room is being constructed at a cost of Rs.9.08 crore.
- 1 Burial Ground construction work at a cost of Rs.3.26 crore.
- An Art and Culture building at a cost of Rs.2.41 crore.

- ❖ Night Shelter for differently-abled persons has been commenced at a cost of Rs.2.82 crore.
- ❖ 6 Night Shelters have been completed at a cost of Rs.2.10 crore, and 4 Anganwadis have been completed at a cost of Rs.2.13 crore.1 primary school Building has been completed at a cost of Rs.1.82 crore.
- ❖ For upgrading and maintaining the 130-year-old Heritage building, Victoria memorial Hall, DPR at a cost of Rs.15 crore.
- ❖ A modern fish market is proposed at Loop Road, Pattinapakkam for constructing 366 shops with parking facilities at a cost of Rs. 9.97 crore.
- ❖ 24 schools at 11 locations are to be constructed under Singara Chennai 2.0 at a cost of Rs. 50.66 crore.
- ❖ 10 Crematorium is to be upgraded/ constructed with smokeless LPG at a cost of Rs.6.13 crore under Singara Chennai 2.0.

PUBLIC DEPARTMENT

- ❖ 195 Legal heirs or dependents were given appointments on compassionate grounds.

REVENUE DEPARTMENT

- ❖ A sum of Rs. 778.43 crore towards Property Tax and a sum of Rs.462.35 crore towards Profession Tax totalling to Rs.1,240.78 crore have been collected through the Revenue Department of Greater Chennai Corporation.

Facilities for easy payment of taxes

- ❖ The facility has been provided to the public to pay the property tax through designated banks.
- ❖ The Assessees can pay property tax through online mode without any additional transaction fee.
- ❖ Provision has also been given to the general public to pay all the taxes pertaining to GCC through common e-Seva centres of Tamil Nadu Arasu Cable TV Corporation.
- ❖ Arrangements have been made to renew the Trade License through online mode by traders themselves automatically on payment of fees.
- ❖ The facility has been provided to the general public to know the availability status through the Greater Chennai Corporation Website for booking of Community Centers.

GIS Mapping (through Drone Survey)

- ❖ The Greater Chennai Corporation (GCC) is conducting Drone Survey for GIS mapping of all properties. GCC is executing this project through the Tamil Nadu Urban Infrastructure Financial Services Limited to create a Base Map using the latest technology for the entire city covering an extent of 426 k.m., mapping all the properties such as Residential houses, commercial complexes and Central Government/State Government/ Public Buildings) and all Utility services above the Ground.
- ❖ The updated database will be spatially linked with the base map created by Unmanned Aerial Vehicles (UAV).

SINGARA CHENNAI 2.0

- ❖ An allocation of Rs.500 crore under the “Singara Chennai 2.0” scheme, at a cost of Rs.339.69 crore, 170 works such as Bus route roads, Development of playfields, Storm Water drain and Schools are being done.

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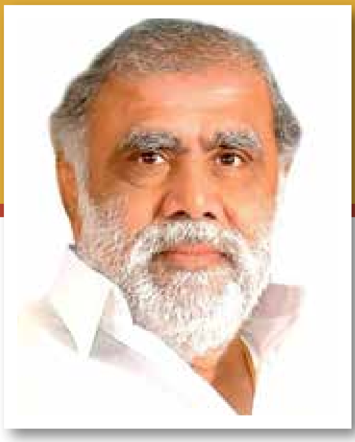
Co-operation, Statistics and Ex-Servicemen Welfare



Hon'ble Minister for Co-operation
Thiru. I.Periasamy

CO-OPERATION

- Jewel loans up to 5 sovereigns availed from the Co-operative institutions have been waived and waiver certificates were issued to 12,20,109 beneficiaries at a cost of Rs.4,818.88 crore.
- Loans to women Self-Help Groups in Co-operative institutions have been done at a cost of Rs.2,755.99 crore. This will benefit 15,88,309 women members of 1,17,617 women Self - Help Groups.
- Crop loans to the extent of Rs.10,436.79 crore were disbursed to 15,04,111 farmers.
- Animal Husbandry and allied activities have been brought under the KCC scheme and loans at a cost of Rs.218.09 crore have been disbursed to 44,531 farmers.
- The credit limit for the Self Help Group loan has been enhanced to Rs.12 lakh. Loans to the tune of Rs.681.65 crore were disbursed to 19,296 Self Help Groups.

- Loans to the tune of Rs.4.36 crore were disbursed to 2,436 Widows and Destitute women.
- 351 projects worth Rs.39.40 crore have been sanctioned by NABARD.
- 6 new ATMs of Tamil Nadu State Apex Co-operative Bank have been installed.
- Agricultural Commodities worth Rs.954.18 crore have been marketed by 112 Agricultural Producers Co-operative Marketing Societies.
- Linking of Consumer Co-operatives with Marketing was done at a cost of Rs.82.77 crore by Agricultural Producers Co-operative Marketing Societies.
- Pledge loans of Rs.83.48 crore, and jewel loans of Rs.222.98 crore have been issued by Agricultural Producers Co-operative Marketing Societies and a business turn over to the tune of Rs.2,405.98 crore has been registered.
- Crop loans worth Rs.110.04 crore, Rs.7.57 crore worth medium term loan and Rs.30.32 crore worth jewel loan have been issued by 25 large sized multipurpose Co-operative societies.
- Rs.8.37 crore worth controlled and Rs.4.71 crore worth non-controlled commodities and Rs.8.82 crore worth agricultural inputs have been marketed by large sized multipurpose Co-operative societies.
- Under the Kuruvai Special Package scheme, 16,942.51 MTs of Urea, 9,412.44 MTs of DAP and 4,698.60 MTs of MoP have been distributed to 1,59,477 farmers.
- 70 Co-operative pharmacies have sold medicines worth Rs. 311.14 lakh.
- 150 MT of Tomatoes and 9,888 MT of other vegetables worth Rs.33.70 crore were sold through Farm Fresh Consumer Outlets.
- The Corona relief assistance of Rs.4,000 per card was distributed in two instalments to the 2,08,24,176 rice cardholders.
- A kit containing 14 groceries has been distributed to 2,07,70,332 rice cardholders through Fair Price Shops as a Corona relief measure.
- Pongal gift hampers containing 20 items and one full sugarcanes were distributed to 2,12,17,756 rice cardholders and to the families in Srilankan Refugee Camp.

ECONOMICS AND STATISTICS DEPARTMENT

Agriculture

- Under the Prime Minister Fasal Bhima Yojana scheme, Kharif and Rabi Season 83,404 experiments were conducted and Average Yield data was furnished to Insurance companies for 35 crops.
- During Kharif and Rabi season, 1,32,534 experiments are planned, village list is sent to all the Districts for 36 Agriculture and Horticulture crops.
- Under the Marketable Surplus scheme, the data collected from 1,302 experiments for Paddy crop and season-wise percentage of marketable surplus estimates and Annual report released.
- 1,276 experiments for Paddy crop village list sent to Districts.
- Data was collected from 597 Rainfall stations every month and an Annual report was released.
- Agriculture wages details are collected from 385 blocks and the month-wise Index on wages is estimated and sent to Union Government. The Annual Report was released.
- Crop area for 9 principal crops estimated for 3,480 villages for Kharif and Rabi seasons and sent to Union Government. Fund allotted for the year 2021-2022 is Rs.119.83 lakh.
- Under the improvement of the Crop Statistics scheme, checks on Area enumeration were undertaken for 520 villages for both Central and State samples (Phase I) and reports were sent to Union Government. Fund allotted for the year 2021-2022 is Rs.62 lakh.

- Under the Minor crops scheme, an estimation of average yield and production for 8 crops was undertaken and the Annual report was released. 650 villages were selected for crop cutting experiments.
- Under the fruits and vegetables scheme, an estimation of average yield and production for 13 crops was undertaken and the Annual report was released. 735 villages were selected for crop cutting experiments.
- Under the survey of Coconut and Arecanut, an estimation of Average Yield and Production for Coconut and Arecanut was undertaken and an Annual report was released. 379 villages for Coconut and 64 villages for Arecanut were selected for crop cutting experiments.
- Report for Phase- III released. This report contains details on the number of parcels of land owners, multiple cropping, land use pattern, use of chemical fertilisers, organic and inorganic manure, agricultural implements and agricultural credit availed by cultivators.
- Season and Crop Report released. The report contains important information on key parameters of the primary sectors of the Economy.
- Crop Forecast based on the reconciled month-wise area details, first and second Advance Estimates of Area and Production for the State estimated and sent to the Union Government in time.
- Under the Crop Estimation Survey scheme, Annual Report was released. Estimation of Average yield per hectare and production for 17 crops was undertaken. 9,500 crop cutting experiments were planned.

Data Analytic Unit (DAU)

- Covid Pulse Survey (Telephonic Survey) Wave-4 completed and Reports sent to Government.
- Tamil Nadu Elderly Panel Survey Wave-1 is being conducted in 5 Districts viz. Chennai, Tiruvannamalai, Trichy, Dharmapuri and Kanniyakumari.
- A baseline survey of knowledge, attitude and practices of citizens of electors has been conducted and the report was submitted to the State Chief Electoral Officer.
- Endline survey of knowledge, attitude and practices of citizens of electors has been conducted and the report is under preparation. To be added in Co-operative Department.

EX-SERVICEMEN WELFARE

- The welfare of Ex-Servicemen and their dependents in Tirunelveli and Madurai district has been constructed at a cost of Rs.1.57 crore.

- Ex-gratia of Rs.20 lakh each was paid to next of Kin of 10 soldiers killed in War/ War like operations.
- A monetary Grant of Rs.10 lakh was paid to the Next of Kin of Hav K.Palani who was killed in Indo-China border skirmishes at Galwan, Ladak for having bestowed with a Gallantry award.
- 482 Ex-Servicemen in Group "C" posts and 340 Ex-Servicemen in Group – "D" posts were given employment in Tamil Nadu Government jobs.
- 56 dependents of Kin of Soldiers who were killed in war/ war like operations / internal security operations / died while in service have been provided with Compassionate Ground Appointments.
- 15,631 Ex-Servicemen and their dependents have benefitted to the tune of Rs.40.04 crore by way of various Welfare Assistances such as Monthly grants, Medical grants and Educational Scholarship etc.,

Tamil Nadu Ex-Servicemen's Corporation Limited (TEXCO)

- 2,123 Ex-Servicemen were deployed on a contract basis in State/Union Government Departments, Public Sector Undertakings and Boards. In addition to that 49 Assistant Security officers have been deployed in Temples under the control of HR & CE.
- 181 new clients were identified and 391 Ex-Servicemen were deployed to the new clients.
- A sum of Rs.250.31 crore was collected as current demand, Rs.53 crore were collected as arrear demand and a total of Rs.303.31 crore has been collected.
- As a welfare measure, Rs.12.50 lakh has been paid as a premium under Group Personal Accident Insurance Scheme to 7,734 Ex-Servicemen working in various units through TEXCO, to cover maximum risk up to Rs.3 lakh.
- A sum of Rs.1.03 crore has been contributed to the Tamil Nadu Ex-Services Personnel Benevolent Fund, Chennai.
- A sum of Rs.63.52 lakh has been contributed as Corporate Social Responsibility (CSR) Fund to Non-Resident Tamils to provide safe drinking water and Toilet facilities for them.
- TEXCO Welfare Fund Scheme has been implemented for all contract employees at a monthly subscription of Rs.250 per month and Rs.5.99 crore paid as a contribution to REPCO Bank.
- A sum of Rs. 2.47 lakh has been sanctioned as funeral grant for 50 families.

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Hon'ble Minister for
Higher Education
Dr. K.Ponmudy

Higher Education including Technical Education, Electronics, Science and Technology

Higher Education

- To provide 7.5% seats to the Government school students from the seats coming under Government Quota in Engineering Admission. The Government sanctioned Rs.74.28 crore for Tuition fees, Hostel Fee, Transportation Fee etc., which will be borne by the Government.
- The Institute of Road Transport and Technology, Erode has been converted into Government Engineering College, Erode.
- The Government has increased the number of students availing Post Graduate Assistantship in Engineering Colleges to 1,200 students.
- Rs.8.64 crore have been sanctioned as recurring expenditure towards the stipend of Rs.6,000 per month

to 1,200 Post Graduate students studying in and Government Government Aided Engineering Colleges, Departments of Anna University and Anna University Constituent Colleges.

- French, German and Japanese is being taught to the students studying in 10 Government Engineering Colleges.
- Smart classrooms have been provided in 50 Government Polytechnic Colleges at a cost of Rs.10 crore.
- Diploma in Civil Engineering and Diploma in Mechanical Engineering in Tamil Medium were introduced in some Government Polytechnic Colleges.
- Women friendly Diploma courses were introduced in some Government Polytechnic Colleges.
- Entrepreneurship Development Hubs were enlisted in Polytechnic Colleges in 5 Regions viz., Chennai, Vellore, Tiruchirappalli, Coimbatore and Thoothukudi.
- Collaboration with Tamil Nadu Skill Development Corporation in Industry Need Based Add On Courses were introduced in Government Polytechnic Colleges to increase the employability of Students.
- The Government has sanctioned a sum of Rs.34.10 crore for the Construction of additional Hostel Buildings in 4 Government Engineering Colleges at Coimbatore, Salem, Karaikudi and Vellore.
- "Tamil Nadu Unmanned Aerial Vehicles Corporation" in partnership with Madras Institute of Technology, Anna University.
- 10 Government Arts and Science Colleges to be started in Thiruchuli, Thirukoilur, Thalavadi, Oddanchathiram, Manur, Dharapuram, Eriyur, Alangudi, Serkkadu and one Women's college, Koothanallur.

❖ 10 New Digital Libraries are to be set up in Government Colleges, at a cost of Rs.93 lakh.

❖ Upgradation of 17 digital libraries in Government Arts and Science Colleges at a cost of Rs.85 lakh.

❖ To Construct a permanent building for the college at Sankarankoil, Alangulam, Jambukulam and Vanur, Rs.45.32 crore has been sanctioned.

❖ PhD Research courses were started in 10 Government Arts and Science Colleges.

❖ 100 Textbooks are selected for translation into the Tamil language at a cost of Rs.2 crore, in collaboration with Tamil Nadu Text Book and Educational Services Corporation.

❖ The Innovation Hubs at Regional Science Centre, Coimbatore and Anna Science Centre, Tiruchirappalli have been established at a cost of Rs.3.30 crore.

❖ Rs.160.11 lakh has been sanctioned for establishment of Fab-makers space Lab in 5 Region for the benefit of teachers and students studying in Engineering and Polytechnic Colleges.

❖ Tamil Nadu Open Physically challenged University has awarded degrees to 2,631 students which is the highest in India.

❖ Tamil Nadu Open University has established and inaugurated 4 New Regional Centres at Mayiladuthurai, Sivagangai, Thiruvannamalai and Salem. This University has also established the "Thiruvalluvar Chair".

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Hon'ble Chief Minister was given rousing reception by Girl students of Government Model School at West Vinodh Nagar, New delhi on 01.04.2022.

Hon'ble Chief Minister interacted with Government Model School students on 01.04.2022

Public Works (Buildings, Highways and Minor Ports)

Hon'ble Minister for Public Works

Thiru. E.V. Velu

PUBLIC WORKS (BUILDINGS)

- The Construction work of Memorial for Muthamizh Arignar Dr.Kalaignar at Kamarajar Salai, Chennai at an estimated cost of Rs.39 crore.
- Construction of Muthamizh Arignar Dr. Kalaignar Statue in the Omandurar Hospital Campus, Anna Salai, Chennai at an estimated cost of Rs. 1.70 crore to be commenced early.
- To commemorate the 75th year of Indian Independence, Commemoration Pillar at Chennai at a cost of Rs.1.95 crore.
- Government Peripheral Hospital, Periyar Nagar, Chennai was upgraded to 300 bedded COVID Hospital at a cost of Rs.12.69 crore.
- The Revamping & Rectification Works at Anna Centenary Library in Kotturpuram, Chennai at an estimated cost of Rs.37.82 crore.

- The construction work of Kalaignar Memorial Library at Madurai, at an estimated cost of Rs.114 crore.
- To overcome the outbreak of waves of COVID-19 pandemic situation, providing 14,683 additional Oxygen beds for the Government Medical College Hospitals, Government District Headquarters Hospitals and Primary Health Centres throughout the State.
- Under the Tamil Nadu Emergency COVID Rehabilitation Project-2, 2,096 ICU Beds with Oxygen facilities are provided at a cost of Rs.60.78 crore in 50 Government Hospitals, 37 District Head Quarters Hospitals and 116 Sub District Hospitals.
- Construction of Multi Super Speciality Hospital at an estimated cost of Rs.230 crore on the premises of King Institute of Preventive Medicine & Research, Guindy, Chennai.
- Under NABARD RIDF XXVII Scheme, construction of 88 new Veterinary Institutional and hospital buildings at an estimated cost of Rs. 57.46 crore will be taken up for execution early.
- Memorial for K.Rajanarayanan at Kovilpatti in Thoothukudi District at an estimated cost of Rs.1.50 crore.

HIGHWAYS AND MINOR PORTS

Road works

- Widening/Improvements to be done in 3,388 km length of roads, construction of 571 Bridges/Culverts at a cost of Rs.3,363.55 crore under Comprehensive Road Infrastructure Development Programme.
- Upgradation of Panchayat/Panchayat Union Roads to a length of 2,140.84 km at a cost of Rs.1,949.27 crore.
- Upgradation of Vridhachalam - Parangipettai Road at a cost of Rs.129.94 crore.
- Improvement of Jawans Bhavan Road at a cost of Rs.1.97 crore.

High-level bridges

- 73 High-Level Bridges at a cost of Rs.189.44 crore under the NABARD loan assistance scheme.
- High-Level bridge across the River Cheyyar, Thandarai - Eraiyur Road in Thiruvannamalai District at a cost of Rs. 17.04 crore.
- High-Level Bridge across the river Coleroon at Kallanai at a cost of Rs.90.96 crore.
- Minor bridge in place of the existing piped causeway at Moolakarai road and Koorapalayam road at a cost of Rs.10.41 crore.

Grade separator

- Grade separator at Madurai - Thondi road and Madurai Ring Road junction at a cost of Rs.53.12 crore.
- Grade separator at the Taramani link road to Velachery bye pass road arm at a cost of Rs. 67 crore.
- Grade separator in Jawaharlal Nehru Salai (IRR) at the junction of Kaliyamman Koil Street and city bus entrance of CMBT at Koyambedu, Chennai at a cost of Rs.93.50 crore.

Road Over Bridge

- Construction of road over bridge in Annanur at a cost of Rs.58.02 crore.
- Road over bridge in between Kadambathur and Thiruvalangadu railway stations (Near Kadambathur Railway station) at a cost of Rs.25.74 crore.
- Road over bridge near Kancheepuram railway station at a cost of Rs.59.63 crore.
- Road over bridge in between Vandalur Guduvanchery Railway Station (near Urapakkam) at a cost of Rs.34.50 crore.
- Road over bridge at Olakkur feeder road at a cost of Rs.20.96 crore.
- Road over bridge in between Thiruvennainallur and Parikkal railway stations at a cost of Rs.22.63 crore.
- Road over bridge in T.K.V Kottah Road to Virinjipuram Road at a cost of Rs.22.27 crore.
- Construction of road over bridge in between Thandarai and Thiruvannamalai railway stations at a cost of Rs.38.74 crore.
- Road over bridge in between Pollachi - Kinathukadavu Railway stations at a cost of Rs.48.48 crore.

Road Under Bridge

- Road under bridge in between Nanguneri - Valliyoor railway stations at a cost of Rs.14.52 crore.

Works under funds of Ministry of Road Transport and Highways (MoRTH)– Government of India

- Road works on National Highways at a cost of Rs.909.29 crore.
- Road works on National Highways under the Periodical Renewal Programme at a cost of Rs.9.97 crore.
- Under Central Road and Infrastructure Fund, road and bridge work at a cost of Rs.732.30 crore.

Works under Progress

- 4-lane at a cost of Rs.2,123.64 crore and 2-lane at a cost of Rs.865.35 crore under the Comprehensive Road Infrastructure Development Programme.
- 648 high-level bridges at a cost of Rs.551.23 crore.
- Under Special Development Project, 96 km road works in urban areas at a cost of Rs.412.69 crore.
- Under the Comprehensive Road Infrastructure Development Programme (CRIDP) 401 road safety works at a cost of Rs.200 crore.
- Construction of 73 bridges under NABARD loan assistance at a cost of Rs.414.06 crore.

Chennai Metropolitan Development Plan

- Construction of grade separator from MIOT hospital to Mugalivakkam at a cost of Rs.314.48 crore and construction of a vehicular underpass near Madipakkam at a cost of Rs.45.50 crore.
- Grade separator at the junction of Rajiv Gandhi Salai with Sardar Patel Road at Madhya Kailash at a cost of Rs.46.54 crore.

Tamil Nadu Maritime Board

- To handle Cargo for Industries located in the Central and Western Districts of Tamil Nadu, through small and medium size ships, the Government issued orders for the selection and engagement of the competent Port Operator for Marketing, Operation and Maintenance of the developed Cuddalore Port.

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Agriculture, Agricultural Engineering, Agro Service Co-operatives, Horticulture, Sugars, Sugarcane Excise, Sugarcane Development and Waste Land Development

Hon'ble Minister for Agriculture and Farmer's Welfare

Thiru. M.R.K.Panneerselvam

Food Grain Mission

- ❖ The first-ever separate Budget for Agriculture in Tamil Nadu.
- ❖ 118 LMT food grain production has been done. Higher production has been achieved when compared to last 6 years.
- ❖ From 22.19 lakh hectare area, so far 40.12 LMT of paddy crops have been produced.
- ❖ From 7.68 lakh hectares of Food Grain Crops that have been cultivated, 5.13 LMT of pulses were produced.

Paddy

- ❖ National Agricultural Development Programme for Rs.21.05 crore and National Food Security Mission for Rs.7.51 crore have been allocated and are being

implemented to increase the area, production and productivity under paddy cultivation and to provide incentives to the farmers for seed production and distribution, subsidy to the inputs.

- ❖ The achievement made so far under NADP – Paddy is Rs. 14.34 crore benefitting 92,035 farmers and NFSM – Rice is Rs.5.11 crore benefitting 64,847 farmers.
- ❖ Further for promoting the use of Liquid bio-fertilizers to improve soil fertility National Agricultural Development Programme for Rs. 3.60 crore has been allocated for an area of 1,20,000 hectares and so far 59,263 farmers were benefitted.
- ❖ 21.519 lakh hectares have been under Paddy wherein 1.937 lakh hectares are additionally covering an area of 19.583 lakh hectares.

Kuruvai Package Assistance 2021

- ❖ In Tamil Nadu, to take up Kuruvai cultivation in Cauvery Delta Districts Hon'ble Chief Minister had opened the Mettur Dam on 12th June and announced the Kuruvai Package Assistance at a financial outlay of Rs. 61.09 crore.
- ❖ Kuruvai cultivation in Cauvery Delta Districts has been increased to 4.90 lakh acres in the last 46 years.
- ❖ 2,870 MT paddy seeds were distributed for an amount of Rs.5 crore in an area of 1,33,560 acres and 1,11,355 farmers have been benefitted.
- ❖ 31,050 MT of fertilizers were distributed at the total cost of Rs.41.07 crore for an area of 1,88,471 acres and 1,59,465 farmers have been benefitted.
- ❖ 4.80 MT of green manure seeds were distributed at the total cost of Rs.3.36 crore for an area of 24,000 acres and 16,342 farmers have been benefitted.
- ❖ Rs. 8.96 crore has been incurred for the distribution of farm machineries and the formation of farm ponds and 239 farmers were benefitted.
- ❖ Growing of pulses especially in Cauvery Delta region, with the available residual moisture for which special village campaigns have been organised and the area under rice fallow pulses has been increased to 3.07 hectares.

Distribution of Tarpaulin for reducing post-harvest losses of food grains

- ❖ Distribution of tarpaulins with a budget outlay of Rs. 5 crore tarpaulins at 50 % subsidy to the farmers to reduce post-harvest losses in food grains. So far 41,343 tarpaulins were procured to the tune of Rs.4.13 crore and 20,000 farmers have been benefitted.

Encouraging the application of Zinc sulphate and Gypsum for enhancing productivity

- ❖ Distribution of Zinc sulphate and Gypsum with a budget outlay of Rs. 3 crore under state fund to the farmers to enhance the productivity. So far 200 MT of Zinc Sulphate and 3,662 MT of Gypsum were procured to the tune of Rs.2.16 crore and 28,310 farmers have been benefitted.

Millets

- ❖ "Millet mission" (National Food Security Mission - Nutri cereals), NFSM – maize, National Agriculture Development Programme – Bringing fallow land into cultivation and incentivizing liquid biofertilizer was programmed for implementation with a financial allocation of Rs. 26.26 crore and Rs.15.73 crore is achieved as of now. 1,11,494 millet farmers have been benefitted under these schemes covering 9.53 lakh hectares.

Pulses

- ❖ Pulses Development Scheme is being implemented with a financial allocation of Rs.45.97 crore and through special schemes, an amount of Rs.23.89 crore has been achieved which has benefitted 1.90 lakh farmers.

Oilseeds

- ❖ "Production Improvement Programme in Oilseeds" is being implemented with a financial allocation of Rs.25.13 crore and an amount of Rs.11.59 crore has been achieved so far benefitting 76,925 farmers.

Coconut

- Coconut Development Board schemes are being implemented with a financial allocation of Rs. 14.71 crore issued and so far Rs.1.50 crore expenditure has been incurred.

Micro Irrigation

- Under the micro-irrigation scheme, the subsidy is extended to Small and Marginal Farmers to 100% and for others to 75% for installing Micro Irrigation Agricultural Crops. 75,000 hectares are planned to be covered under Micro Irrigation with an outlay of Rs.383 crore. Out of this, Rs.295 crore was utilized for installing Micro Irrigation in 48,180 hectares of land to 48,039 farmers.

Tamil Nadu State Seed Development Agency (TANSEDA)

- 15,639 MT of Paddy, 606 MT of Millets, 2,952 MT of Pulses, 3,713 MT of Oilseeds and 18 MT of Cotton, totalling up to 22,927 MT of seeds have been procured from the seed farms arranged by the Department of Agriculture.
- 17,803 MT of Paddy, 683 MT of Millets, 3,471 MT of Pulses, 3,681 MT of Oilseeds and 13 MT of Cotton, totalling up to 25,651 MT of Seeds have been distributed to Farmers by Agriculture extension centres of the Department of Agriculture.

Nel Jeyaraman Traditional Paddy Conservation Mission

- To preserve, produce and distribute the medicinally valued traditional paddy varieties to farmers Nel Jayaraman Traditional Paddy Varieties Conservation Mission has been announced. In this mission, 16 traditional paddy varieties are produced on 200 acres in the 33 State Seed Farms functioning under the Department of Agriculture and the seeds produced will be distributed at a 50 % subsidy to the farmers at a cost of Rs. 25 lakh.

Distribution of Farm implement Kits to the Farmers

- To benefit the small and marginal farmers it has been planned to distribute 64,444 implement kits at 75% subsidy for general farmers and 90% subsidy to SC/ST farmers at a financial allocation of Rs.15 crore. So far, 10,350 implement kits have been distributed to 10,350 farmers at an expenditure of Rs. 1.97 crore.

Plant protection

- Maize is being cultivated in an area of 3.5 lakh hectares in Tamil Nadu. To control the Fall Army Worm infestation, critical inputs were distributed to the farmers for an area of 80,000 hectares with a financial allocation of Rs.20 crore.
- Coconut is being cultivated in an area of 4.5 lakh hectares in Tamil Nadu and to control Rugose Spiraling White Fly infestation, assistance was extended to the farmers towards the distribution of yellow sticky trap and Chrysoperla species to an area of 20,000 hectares with a financial allocation of Rs.2 crore.

Chief Minister's Dryland Development Mission

- Chief Ministers Dryland development mission is a new scheme that is being implemented for the improvement of 7.5 lakh acres of dry land at a total outlay of Rs. 146.64 crore.
- So far the sowing has been completed in 4.25 lakh acres of land under millets, 2.30 lakh acres under pulses, 65,000 acres under Oilseeds and 35,000 acres under cotton.
- 255 farm ponds, 588-acre field bunds, 51 custom hiring centres, and 8 value addition units have been formed. 13.33 lakh high-value tree saplings were distributed, under this scheme 3.06 lakh, small and marginal farmers are getting benefitted.

"Tamil Nadu Mission for Sustainable Green cover in Farm Lands"

- "Tamil Nadu Mission for Sustainable Green cover in Farm Lands" is being implemented with the financial assistance of Rs. 11.14 crore under which 73 lakh tree saplings will be distributed for free to all farmers. So far 48,01,541 high-value saplings have been distributed to 26,639 farmers.

Tamil Nadu Irrigated Agriculture Modernization Project

- For the implementation of the Crop Based and Non-Crop Based Components under the Tamil Nadu Irrigated Agriculture Modernization Project, an amount of Rs. 16.55 crore has been allocated. Also Rs.62 lakh has been sanctioned for the Model Village Programme.

Agricultural Technology Management Agency (ATMA)

- Under the ATMA scheme 7,801 Technical trainings, 2,070 Exposure visits, 485 farm schools and 10,000 demonstrations were conducted at a cost of Rs 22.15 crore benefiting 4,37,665 farmers.

Pradhan Manthiri Fasal Bima Yojana

- Under Pradhan Mantri Fasal Bima Yojana, 26.06 lakh farmers have been enrolled and an extent of 40.60 lakh acres has been insured.
- 63% of the Gross cropped area has been covered against the target of 50%. An amount of Rs.2,324 crore has been allocated for the Insurance premium subsidy during 2021-2022.
- Further, an amount of Rs.2,055 crore has been given to 9.27 lakh farmers.

Soil Health Management

- 3,08,603 soil samples were collected of which 3,03,966 samples were analysed and 2,92,551 Soil Health Cards have been distributed to farmers.

Empowering Agriculture Graduates as Agripreneurs

- 193 youth were chosen and assistance of Rs.1 lakh per beneficiary was given to help them start up agro clinics or agri-business activities at an outlay of Rs. 1.93 crore.

Agricultural Zonal Committees to ensure Farmers' Welfare

- Agricultural Zonal Committees have been formed in all the seven Agro Climatic Zones to address core issues related to Agriculture, Natural Calamities, Pollution problems, etc., and give timely interventions and speedy solutions to solve issues faced by farmers.

Collective Farming

- Under Collective Farming, 20 small and marginal farmers are integrated and 5,500 Farmers Interest Groups (FIG) are formed. Five such FIGs were integrated and then 1,100 Farmer Producer Groups (FPG) were formed with each FPG comprising 100 farmers.
- Farmer Producer Groups were given a corpus fund of Rs.55 crore by the Government of Tamil Nadu for the purchase of farm machineries.

Integrated Farming System

- 13,300 Integrated Farming System units are being established at an estimated cost of Rs.59.85 crore.

Relied to affected farmers due to cyclones & flood

- The State had experienced heavy rain during the North East Monsoon, which caused severe financial loss to farmers and speedy efforts have been taken for getting financial sanction for Rs.155.02 crore under State Disaster Response Fund and speedy disbursement to 3.37 lakh affected farmers within a span of 15 days after the State sanction.

DEPARTMENT OF HORTICULTURE AND PLANTATION CROPS

Micro Irrigation system

- To install Micro Irrigation systems in an area of 1,50,000 hectares, a financial outlay of Rs.982.48 crore has been allocated. Till now an area of 92,400 hectares has been installed with MI systems with a financial expenditure of Rs.614 crore benefitting 89,408 farmers.

National Horticulture Mission

- Under the Mission for Integrated Development of Horticulture (MIDH) - National Horticulture Mission (NHM) is implemented in Tamil Nadu with a fund sharing pattern of 60:40 between the Centre and State.

- ❖ To enhance Horticulture crop cultivation, it is being implemented with a financial outlay of Rs.167.172 crore.
- ❖ Seed production plots for horticulture crops have been established at an area of 50 hectares under the production of Planting Material component.
- ❖ Under Protected Cultivation 38,000 sq. mt of poly greenhouse, 20,500 sq. mt. of shade net house and 2,060 ha of plastic mulching have been established at a financial outlay of Rs.25.89 lakh.
- ❖ 268 numbers of farm machinery have been distributed to the farmers at an outlay of Rs.53.11 lakh.
- ❖ To prevent post-harvest losses, 131 Pack Houses, and 929 low-cost onion storages have been established and a subsidy of Rs.322.88 lakh has been released.
- ❖ Under the Marketing Infrastructure Development component, 441 mobile vending carts have been distributed to the farmers at an outlay of Rs.21.75 lakh. Financial achievement of Rs. 41.253 crore.

Tamil Nadu Irrigated Agricultural Modernization Project (TN-IAMP)

- ❖ Through the promotion of hi-tech cultivation technologies and water conservation technologies, at a cost of Rs.35.62 crore, in 7,559.45 hectares of land, vegetables, fruits, spices, flowers, cashew and micro-irrigation installation being done.

Integrated Horticulture Development Scheme (IHDS)

- ❖ The scheme is being implemented at an outlay of Rs.41.55 crore with a financial achievement of Rs.34.52 crore. Through this scheme, 2,30,976 farmers have been benefitted.
- ❖ The area covered under Horticulture Crops in Tamil Nadu has been achieved to 15.29 lakh hectare.

National Agricultural Development Programme (NADP)

- ❖ To increase the quality and production of pandal type vegetables, an amount of Rs.2.40 crore was spent to assist the farmers with cultivation through the establishment of a permanent pandal system in an area of 120 hectare.
- ❖ To produce and consume toxic-free Vegetables, an amount of Rs.7.99 crore was spent to promote the Organic cultivation of Vegetables in an area of 15,971 hectare.

- The cultivation of Cashew known as the "Gold mine of the wastelands" was expanded to an area of 2,875 hectare at an outlay of Rs.4.50 crore.
- An amount of Rs.8.71 crore was spent to expand Horticultural crops like Moringa, Palmyrah, Onion, Greens, Fig, Dragon fruit, Avocado, Mangosteen, etc., in an area of 6,435 hectare.
- To aid farmers in the production of quality banana bunches, banana plantations in an area of 1,000 hectare were assisted with the usage of Banana bunch sleeves at an outlay of Rs.1.25 crore.
- To encourage the cultivation of Vegetables in the villages where no vegetables have been cultivated so far, an amount of Rs.1.35 crore has been spent to cultivate vegetables in an area of 420 hectare.

Rainfed Area Development

- Integrated farming system units comprising Horticulture based farming, rearing of cows and goats, of 1,370 numbers were established at an outlay of Rs.6.20 crore.

National Bamboo Mission

- To motivate Bamboo cultivation, a financial outlay of Rs.2.91 crore has been spent on 494 hectare of the area under public land and 120 hectare of the area under private land, a total extent of 614 hectare.

Collective Farming

- 500 Farmer Producer Groups are formed and implemented with a corpus fund of Rs.25 crore. By this, 50,000 Small and Marginal farmers were benefitted.

Pradhan Mantri Fasal Bima Yojana (PMFBY)

- Under PMFBY, 1,38,466 Horticultural farmers have been enrolled covering an area of 42,603 hectare in notified Horticulture crops.
- During 2020-2021, claim compensation of Rs.80.54 crore has been settled to 60,783 beneficiaries under Horticultural crops.

State Horticulture Farms:

- There are 3,728.350 lakh numbers of Planting Materials and Portray Seedlings that have been Produced in State Horticulture Farms and are being distributed to the farmers.
- 325 MT of vegetable seeds have been produced and were distributed as seed kits to the home vegetable gardens.
- 107 MT of Bio-Control agents, 29 MT of Bio-fertilizers and 823 MT of Vermicomposting have been produced and are being distributed to the Farmers.

Vegetable Production

- Chief Minister's Vegetable Cultivation Mission has been implemented in which 328 Metric Tonnes of Vegetable seeds have been produced in State Horticulture Farms and two lakh Vegetable seed kits have been distributed to farmers and one lakh terrace garden kits to urban people through online transaction. Hence, area under Vegetables has increased to 3.83 lakh hectares.

Digital Agriculture

- Distribution of 31,050 MT of fertilizers under Kuruvai Package in 2021 to 1.595 lakh farmers, two lakh Vegetable seed kits, one lakh terrace garden kits and 73.5 lakh high value tree seedlings have been completed through digital mode.
- An IT Cell has been constituted in the Directorate of Agriculture for application of various IT tools like Artificial Intelligence, Aadhaar seeding for beneficiaries under various schemes, use of digital signature for effective implementation of e-Governance, separate website for Department of Agriculture and Farmers Welfare.

AGRICULTURAL ENGINEERING DEPARTMENT

- The "e-Vaadagai Mobile App" was launched by the Hon'ble Chief Minister of Tamil Nadu on 08.01.2022. More than 9 lakh farmers have booked the required agricultural machinery and implements, through "e-Vaadagai Mobile App" and Rs.6 crore has been collected as revenue towards hire charges.

- As the Land Development Machinery has been hired out to the farmers at nominal hire charges, a total of 27,345 farmers were benefitted. Rs.18.44 crore has been collected as revenue towards hire charges.
- 43 Bull Dozers were engaged for desilting work and Rs.57.21 lakh was collected as revenue towards hire charges.

TAMIL NADU AGRICULTURAL UNIVERSITY

New Colleges

- New Government Agricultural Colleges were established each in the Districts of Karur, Nagapattinam, Sivagangai and Krishnagiri at a cost of Rs.40 crore.
- An order was issued for the introduction of Tamil medium of instruction in Agricultural and Horticultural Education in undergraduate programmes at a cost of Rs. 25 lakh.

New Centres

- New Turmeric Research Centre in Bhavanisagar, Erode District established at a cost of Rs.2 crore.
- To improve organic farming and research the Department of Sustainable Organic Agriculture functioning at Tamil Nadu Agricultural University was named "Nammazhvar Organic Farming Research Center", at a cost of Rs.3 crore.
- Dryland Agriculture Research Station, Chettinad has been started at a cost of Rs. 50 lakh.

New research initiatives

- Research and development projects on Palm trees were initiated in Killikulam at a cost of Rs. 50 lakh.
- Establishment of University Training Centers in 24 Districts of Tamil Nadu at a cost of Rs. 50 lakh.
- For the Special Drive for the popularization of TNAU released New Varieties of crops among the farmers at a cost of Rs.5.57 crore has been sanctioned.
- To digitalize information on crops, soil and water by exploring natural resources through remote sensing technology in Agriculture, Rs.72 lakh has been allocated.
- To Promote Entrepreneurship in Agri-Business an estimate of Rs. 130 lakh has been sanctioned.
- To Enhance the quality seed production of newly released varieties an estimate of Rs. 100 lakh has been sanctioned.
- To scale up nanotechnologies to enhance the livelihoods of rural farmers, Rs. 200 lakh has been sanctioned.
- A two years Diploma course in Agricultural Engineering has been started at the Agricultural Engineering College and Research Institute, Kumulur, Trichy District at a cost of Rs. 100 lakh.
- To Promote Digital Farming to Improve productivity at a cost of Rs. 200 lakh has been sanctioned.
- For Revamping Agri-Portal and Social Media an estimated cost of Rs. 40 lakh has been sanctioned.
- For the Establishment of One Stop Shop at Krishi Vigyan Kendra(s), Rs. 25 lakh has been sanctioned.
- Palmyra Development Mission on palmyra, Traditional Rice varieties for taking up the seed multiplication and distribution to farmers. Distribution of agricultural implements to 50,000 farmers, Geographical Indication Tag for traditional unique produces such as Kolli hills- Pepper, Panruti-Jack and Ponni rice to fetch greater price in the global markets.
- One Government Horticultural College at Krishnagiri District and three Agricultural Colleges at Karur, Nagapattinam and Sivagangai Districts. Further, steps are being taken to introduce tamil medium in agricultural graduation. For intensification of research in Turmeric, this Government has established Turmeric Research Station in Erode District.

Ranking

- Tamil Nadu Agricultural University,

Coimbatore secured the first position among the Agricultural Universities located in the Southern States and third position among the State Agricultural Universities in India by Education World India magazine (June 2021).

- Tamil Nadu Agricultural University, Coimbatore secured 8th rank among the 67 agricultural institutes, 4th among the State Agricultural Universities and 2nd among the Southern Agricultural Universities in the Indian Council of Agricultural Research (ICAR) ranking for the year 2020 (December 2021).
- National Ranking of Agri-business Management Schools declared TNAU's Agri-Business Management offered at the Department of Agricultural and Rural Management as one of the top 15 Agri business Management schools which includes IIMs.

Awards

- At the national level, Tamil Nadu Agricultural University was awarded the Green and Clean Campus Award, and two awards in the Forestry and Agricultural Engineering departments.

DEPARTMENT OF SUGAR

Special Incentive to Sugarcane farmers

- Special incentives were given to 91,120 registered sugarcane farmers for supplying 78.38 lakh MT of Sugarcane and Rs.33.31 crore has been disbursed directly to their bank accounts.

Special scheme for sugarcane production

- Rs.150.89 crore have been disbursed directly to the bank accounts of 91,120 farmers.

A special scheme for sugarcane production

- Rs.1.37 crore has been given to provide assistance for the purchase of breeder seeds of high yielding varieties and 1,307 farmers were benefitted.
- The area under Sugarcane has increased to 1,47,500 Ha from 35,000 Ha during 2020-2021.

Organic cultivation

- Incentive for farmers who adopt organic cultivation, ensuring availability of Organic inputs in all Agricultural Extension Centres, compiling the list of farmers who adopt organic farmers at block level and training on organic certification. Efforts have been taken by Food Safety Department to ensure strict action against the sale of adulterated agricultural produce in the name of Organic produce. Hence, area under Organic Certification has reached 1,15,597 acres.

Micro-irrigation

- 100 per cent subsidy is given to small and marginal farmers and 75 per cent subsidy is given to other farmers to install micro-irrigation in sugarcane. An area of 5,893 ha has been covered under this scheme and 5,843 farmers have benefitted.
- An area of 1.023 lakh hectares of land has been brought under micro irrigation with the expenditure of Rs.689.64 crore benefitting 1,00,838 farmers. This achievement made under Micro Irrigation has brought Tamil Nadu as the leading state in the nation.

Record procurement of Copra

- Farmers could sell their copra in the Government approved Regulated Markets at Minimum Support price. This is the first time, 2,021 MT Copra has been procured through Regulated Markets under this Price Support Scheme.

National Agricultural Development Program (NADP)

- Sugarcane growers are encouraged to cultivate sugarcane with subsidy and achievement of 779 ha (76%) and Rs.78 lakh (65%) has been made benefiting 885 farmers.

Integrated Agriculture Development Programme

- 'Kalaignar all village integrated Agriculture Development Programme' has been proposed for development of 1,997 Village Panchayats. This scheme will help the State to increase the area under cultivation and enhance the agricultural production.

Cane registration

- An area of 99,889 ha. of sugarcane area has been registered under Co-operative, Public and Private Sector Sugar Mills.

Cane crushing

- A total of 85,18,573 MT of sugarcane has been crushed in Cooperative, Public and Private Sector Sugar Mills.
- The erection work in the 12 MW cogeneration plant of Dharmapuri District Co-operative Sugar Mill has been completed and it is under trial.
- The cogeneration project works which were stopped in May 2015 at MRK, Kallakurichi -1 and Kallakurichi-2 Cooperative Sugar mills were resumed.
- The Cooperative and Public Sector Sugar Mills have crushed 19,53,138 MT of cane and at a recovery of 8.65% produced 1,62,670.5 MT of sugar.

DIRECTORATE OF SEED CERTIFICATION AND ORGANIC CERTIFICATION

- An area of 61,401 Hectares has been registered for Certified seed production and 1,20,396 MT of various crop seeds have been certified under the Certification programme.
- A total number of 66,405 inspections were conducted in seed selling points, 77,221 seeds samples were drawn for quality check and stop-sale order was issued for 2,476 Metric Tonnes.
- In 29 Notified Seed Testing Laboratories functioning in the state, seed standards were tested for 1,10,502 seed samples and results were declared to ensure the supply of quality seeds to the farmers.
- The training wing of this department imparts training to a total of 47,320 persons which includes seed producers, dealers and farmers on the latest strategies.
- In 28 organic certification bodies, an area of 1,15,597 acres has been registered under organic certification.
- Under NADP Programme 2021-2022, an amount of Rs.40 lakh has been sanctioned for strengthening of IT infrastructure for field level functionaries, implementation of e-Governance and Strengthening of seed quality control wing through the provision of seed sample storage facilities and the scheme is being implemented.

DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURAL MARKETING AND AGRI-BUSINESS

The responsive role played by the department during the COVID-19 pandemic.

- 284 Regulated markets were kept functional. This helped farmers and

traders in the transaction of 1.15 lakh MTs of Agriculture Produce valued at Rs.325 crore in Regulated Markets and 77,766 MTs of Agricultural produce stored in 510 godowns. A Pledge Loan of Rs.3.73 crore was availed by 225 farmers during the Lockdown period.

- Uzhavar Sandhai Farmers and FPOs have supplied 48,388 MT of Fruits and Vegetables through 85,129 mobile vehicles directly to consumers during the Lockdown period.
- A Control room with the Farmers helpline was set up at the state level and in each District.

Regulated Markets

- 22.86 lakh MT of agricultural produces were traded in Regulated Markets. An amount of Rs.31.30 crore was given as a pledge loan to 1,441 farmers and Rs.3.79 crore to 220 traders.
- Through the 63 electronic national agricultural markets, 10.60 lakh coconuts worth Rs. 342.57 crore and other commodities worth 18.03 lakh quintal were traded, and Rs. 323.71 crore was transacted to 1.20 lakh farmers through the electronic national agricultural market website.
- In Tiruvarur District, 5 storage godown with a total capacity of 9,500 MT has been constructed at a cost of Rs.14 crore under the National Agricultural Development Program was inaugurated by the Hon'ble Chief Minister of Tamil Nadu.
- 6 storage godowns with a total capacity of 6500 MT, 50 Drying yards, 2 Continuous flow dryers, and 2 re-circulating batch dryers are being established at a cost of Rs.16.50 crore with NABARD loan assistance.
- Government Order has been issued for the construction of 500 MT storage godown in the nearby 10 places of high arrival Regulated Markets at a total cost of Rs.9.40 crore.
- For the welfare of the cotton farmers, necessary order has been issued for the establishment of a Cotton ginning facility with a capacity of 50 MT/day at a cost of Rs.5 crore in Tiruvarur.
- Orders were issued for the construction of Storage godowns with the capacity of 250 MT, at Chidambaraviduthi in Pudukottai District, Erumapatti in Namakkal District, Poolavadi in Tiruppur District and Burgur in Tiruppur District.
- Orders were issued for the construction of 28 Drying Yards in Regulated Markets at a cost of Rs.3.50 crore.
- Millet Processing Centre is being established in The Nilgiris District at a cost of Rs.35 lakh for the benefit of farmers under the National Agricultural Development Programme (NADP). In addition, an Integrated Rural Agricultural Market Complex at Edappally, The Nilgiris District at a cost of Rs.2 crore, is to be set up.
- Pepper Processing Centre is being established in Kollimalai, Namakkal District at a cost of Rs.50 lakh for the benefit of pepper producing farmers.
- In Thanjavur District, under National Agricultural Development Programme, the establishment of the Coconut Value Addition Centre at a cost of Rs.5.20 crore.
- The Supply Chain Management project is extended in Phase - II to another 8 Districts namely, Salem, Erode, Tiruvallur, Kancheepuram (Chengalpet), Thiruvannamalai, Cuddalore, Villupuram and Karur at an outlay of Rs.102.47 crore under NABARD Rural Infrastructure Development Fund.

Uzhavar Sandhais

- In Uzhavar Sandhais 4.60 lakh MT of Vegetables and Fruits worth Rs.1,572 crore were sold by 16.73 lakh farmers to 5.91 crore consumers.
- For renovation and modernisation of the 50 Uzhavar Sandhais, Rs.12.5 crore has been allocated.
- Establishment of Bio-composting units in 25 Uzhavar Sandhais for conversion of vegetable waste, at a cost of Rs.2.75 crore.
- 10 new Uzhavar Sandhais are being established at a cost of Rs.4.53 crore in the Town Panchayat areas. Besides action

is taken to provide 30 Mobile Vehicles for selling vegetables at a cost of Rs.60 lakh for the benefit of Consumers in the Corporation areas.

❖ Establishment of Digital Price Display boards at 50 Uzhavar Sandhais and 50 Regulated Markets at a cost of Rs.2.30 crore.

Farmer Producer Organisations

❖ 381 FPOs have been formed and promoted by the Department of Agricultural Marketing and Agro Business.

❖ The loan amount of Rs.5 crore has been given under Mezzanine Capital Assistance Scheme to 60 FPOs.

❖ Rs.3 crore as coverage under the Credit Guarantee Scheme to 16 FPOs and the amount of Rs.4 crore under the Revolving Fund Support to 20 FPOs has been sanctioned.

❖ Under the Prime Minister's Formalisation of Micro Food Processing Enterprises scheme, 162 loans have been approved for individual micro food enterprises and Rs.6.02 crore subsidy has been sanctioned.

Food Parks/ Agro-Processing Clusters

❖ Establishment of Mega Food Park Project to an extent of 50 acres at SIPCOT Industrial Estate, Gangaikondan in Tirunelveli District at a cost of Rs.77.02 crore.

❖ Small Food Parks / Agro-Processing Clusters are also being established to an extent of around 10 acres each with a financial outlay of Rs.191.88 crore in Seven locations namely, Cuddalore, Theni, Dindigul, Krishnagiri, Tiruvannamalai, Salem and Madurai availing financial assistance from Ministry of Food Processing Industries (MoFPI), Government of India under the scheme of "Creation of Agro-Processing Clusters".

Promotion of Food Processing and Agri exports

❖ Considering export potential for various agricultural products in Tamil Nadu, number of initiatives have been initiated for 1)Establishment of an Agricultural Export Facilitation Centre at Chennai, 2) Declaration of Moringa Export Zone, 3)Special Export Facilitation Centre at Madurai for Moringa and 4)commissioning of an exclusive corporation for food processing and agri export.

Agro-Export promotion

- Agro-Export Facilitation Centre in the existing Agro green park building, Guindy is to be established with the necessary infrastructure to provide information on exports, market opportunities, quality certification, its requirements etc., to farmers and exporters in an integrated manner.
- Rs.2 lakh will be given as a cash prize to farmers who excel in agricultural exports.
- Getting Geographical Indication (GI) tag for unique agricultural products of the State.
- Action has been initiated to get a GI tag for 10 unique agricultural products viz., Sholavandhan Betelvine, Panruti Jack and Cashew, etc.
- Considering the export potential of Moringa varieties of Tamil Nadu, the major Moringa growing Districts viz., Theni, Dindigul, Karur, Thoothukudi, Ariyalur, Tiruppur and Madurai have been declared as "Moringa Export Zone". During this year, steps are being taken to establish a special export facilitation centre in Madurai to increase the export opportunities for Moringa and its value-added products.
- 45 training programmes were conducted at a cost of Rs.12.15 lakh benefitting 1522 technical staff and farmers in Tamil Nadu State Agricultural Marketing Board Training Centre.

TAMIL NADU WATERSHED DEVELOPMENT AGENCY

- Tamil Nadu Watershed Development Agency (TAWDEVA) is Executing entity for the project Climate Proofing of Rainfed Watersheds in Salem and Virudhunagar Districts of Tamil Nadu under "National Adaptation Fund for Climate Change (NAFCC)", under which Rs.7.51 crore was released.

Water Resource and Soil Health Management Activities

- 4 Percolation ponds, 40 Check dams, 51 Recharge shafts, and 32 Sunken ponds are created. Reclamation of Wasteland works was carried out in 420 ha and 24 Village ponds have been restored.
- Fodder production, organic manure application, Green manure application, Farmyard manure application, and Tank Silt application activities have been carried out in 1280 ha. of land. Totally 2,044 farmers have been benefitted with an expenditure of Rs.2.04 crore under the above activities.

Crop Management Activities

- The activities like support for alternate cropping in 30 ha, Distribution of Climate Resilient varieties in 24 ha. Distribution of short duration varieties in 30 ha, Improved Planting methods in 106 ha, Irrigation Management activities in 117 ha. and Fish culture in 7 farm ponds have been taken up in Crop Management Component. 314 farmers have been benefitted with an expenditure of Rs.26.35 lakh.

Livelihood Support Activities and Micro Enterprises

- In this component Rs.24.62 lakh expenditure has been incurred for the activities like 12 vermi composting units, 17 Idly batter grinding mill, 99 Tailoring machines, 66 livestock and Backyard Poultry, for the upliftment of 197 landless women beneficiaries of the watershed.

Climate Proofing activities

- Climate Proofing activities namely, Afforestation in Public land in 25 ha. Horticulture Plantation in 20 ha. Avenue plantation in 10 ha. have been implemented.
- Also, 60 Bio compost units, 15 Beehives, and 4 Oil extraction units have been distributed. Totally 137 numbers are benefitted with an outlay of Rs.13.88 lakh.

Skill development activities

- An expenditure of Rs.6.25 lakh was incurred for 26 trainings.

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Hon'ble Minister for Revenue and Disaster Management

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Commissionerate of Revenue Administration and Disaster Management

Under Social Security Scheme

- Under Social Security Scheme, 3,00,263 persons will benefit by getting Old Age Pension.

Covid Relief

- Rs. 25 lakh have been paid to each of the 63 front line workers of the revenue department who died due to corona disease.
- Pensions under the Social Security Schemes have been enhanced to Rs.4,807.56 crore.

Revenue Buildings

- The Government has accorded Administrative and financial Sanction for Rs.114.48 crore towards the construction of the Master Plan Complex for accommodating various Government Offices in Mayiladuthurai District.

Purchase of New Motor vehicles for the use of Higher Officials of the Revenue Department

- Rs. 1.04 crore has been sanctioned for the purchase of VIP Vehicles for Madurai, Tiruppur, Dharmapuri, Cuddalore, Kancheepuram, Thanjavur, Villupuram, Tiruvallur and Thoothukudi District.

Disaster Management

- During NEM16 Disaster alerts were sent to 28,91,931 persons through SMS.
- 7,539 Distress Calls received in the State Emergency Operation Centre through Toll-free number 1070 have been redressed.
- Action has been taken on 186 complaints received in State Emergency Operation Centre through WhatsApp number 94458 69848.
- 10,327 complaints received at Districts Emergency Operation Centre through Toll-free number 1077 have been resolved.
- To develop the capacity and skills of the volunteers at the habitation level a scheme of identifying at least two first Responders at every habitation level in 14 Coastal Districts and The Nilgiris District and imparting training to 65,000 First Responders at a cost of Rs.20.42 crore is being rolled out to form a community Disaster response force.
- The Government of Tamil Nadu has sanctioned Rs.300 crore under SDRF to various line Departments for providing relief and for carrying out the restoration of infrastructure.
- Ex-gratia payment of Rs.278.71 crore has been released to the next kith and kin of 55,743 deceased persons due to Covid – 19.
- To continue uninterrupted rescue and relief operations in the event of a disaster, generators for Rs.41.80 lakh have been sanctioned for procurement and installation of 38 numbers of 2 KVA generators for

use in 38 Revenue Offices in 14 Coastal Districts.

- Rs.25 crore have been allocated for the installation of 1000 ARGs.
- To provide immediate relief to the people affected by the heavy rains in many districts including Chennai, Chengalpattu, Thiruvallur, Kancheepuram, Cuddalore, Nagapattinam, Thiruvarur, Thanjavur, Mayiladuthurai, and Kanniyakumari and provided relief assistance to the tune of Rs.32.66 crore to 96,273 families towards loss of human lives, livestock and hut damages caused during North-East Monsoon.
- A sum of Rs.168.37 crore has been enhanced input subsidy to the Agricultural / Horticultural crops damaged to an extent of 1.80 lakh hectares benefiting 3.59 lakh farmers.
- A sum of Rs.352.85 crore from National Disaster Response Funds towards relief and restoration of damages caused during the North-East Monsoon.
- To install 400 ARGs, 100 Automatic Weather Stations, Weather Balloons, 2 Radars, 11 Water Level Indicators and Super Computer.

LAND ADMINISTRATION

Free House Site Assignment

- The Policy of the Government is to provide free house sites Assignments to houseless and poor eligible persons. According to this, 24,883 Free House Site Pattas, Based on the ADW / BCW Schemes 53,991 Free House Site Pattas, Based on Regularizations Scheme 16,018 Free House Site pattas for the public residing in un-objectionable Government lands and Based on Town Settlement Scheme 56,809 free house site pattas totally 1,51,701pattas were issued through online as e-patta.

Online Patta Transfer Scheme

- 19,52,244 online patta transfer applications were received and orders were issued accordingly.

Land Transfer

- Government orders have been issued in 32 cases transferring 443 acres of Government lands.

Land Alienation

- The Government lands are alienated as per the provisions made in RSO 24 to Local bodies, State Government agencies / Boards / Universities / Societies / IT Parks / Corporations, Central Government Institutions, and to private companies on the collection of Single Market Value for non-commercial purposes and on the collection of Double Market Value for commercial purpose. Government orders have been issued in 124 cases alienating 616 acres of Government lands.

Eviction of Encroachment

- Out of the 12,425 Petitions that were received from the General Public, 10,182 Petitions were addressed.
- Eviction processes were carried out and the total extent of land evicted is, Water course porambokes - 2,740.37.1 Ha., Meikkal, Road, Temple, 1,111.78.99 Ha. Forest etc., Total 3,852.16.09 Ha.

Land Lease

- Of 951 lease cases, an amount of Rs.12.64 crore towards Current lease rent and an amount of Rs.17.25 crore towards arrear lease rent in totalling of Rs.29.88 crore was collected.

Land Acquisition

- The Government has ordered for the formation of an agency, namely the Land Acquisition Agency of Tamil Nadu (LAATAN).An extent of 686.23 hectares

(1,695 acres) of lands for State Highways Projects and 552 hectares (1,365 acres) of lands for National Highways Projects were acquired.

RATIONALISATION OF MINOR IRRIGATION STATISTICS (RMIS)

- ❖ Under the Ministry of Jal Shakthi (MoJS), Department of Water Resources (WR), River Development (RD) & Ganga Rejuvenation (GR), a comprehensive database on the Minor Irrigation Sector has been created.
- ❖ The main objective of this scheme is to build a reliable and sound database on the Minor Irrigation Sector, which will be useful for estimating the availability of Ground Water and formulation of a realistic plan for Water Resources Development.
- ❖ The Sixth Minor Irrigation Census including the first-ever Census of Water Bodies were conducted and is at the final stage.
- ❖ Land Administration Department in coordination with TNeGA has implemented an e-Office file system to achieve easy and quick disposal of files, more transparency and attain paperless office.
- ❖ All the Officers and staff are assigned separate credentials and file flow is executed as per the hierarchy. So far, more than 8,000 posts are processed through e-Office.
- ❖ Also, credentials were created for all 38 District Revenue Officers / Special District Revenue Officers / all District Revenue Officer's PCs and imparted training.

COMPUTERIZATION OF LAND ADMINISTRATION PROJECT (CLAP)

- ❖ "Computerization of Land Administration Project" had been developed and is being implemented.

LAND REFORMS

- ❖ Under the Chief Minister's Farmers Security Scheme, 1,46,91,297 persons have been enumerated as members, 1,35,74,462 persons have been enumerated

as dependent members and a totally of 2,82,65,759 persons have been enumerated Rs.146.57 crore has been given to 1,24,587 beneficiaries. A sum of Rs. 187.22 crore allotted to all District Collectors.

❖ The disputes between cultivating tenants and landowners are being settled by 10 Revenue Courts in the State. 5,263 cases were received. Out of this 2,140 cases were disposed and 3,123 cases are pending.

❖ Permission under Section 37-A to 26 Companies and under Section 37-B to 5 Public Trusts was given by Government.

SURVEY AND SETTLEMENT

❖ Special camps are conducted in all villages to redress Patta related grievances/error – corrections, every Tuesday and Friday. 44,967 applications have been received and 30,241 applications have been disposed of.

❖ Urban land records: 32.38 lakh TS have been compared out of the total 31.94 lakh TS and 7.57 lakh errors have been identified out of which 5.38 lakh errors have been rectified.

❖ Online Patta Transfer System: 8.90 lakh Patta transfers have been done.

❖ Automatic Mutation: For land transactions that do not involve the creation of sub-divisions in land parcels,1,48,914 titles have been automatically transferred.

❖ Licensed Surveyors: 'Licensed Surveyor' has been introduced and under this scheme, Diploma holders in Civil Engineering are imparted with survey training at the Survey Training Institute, Orathanadu for 3 months and are being provided with a 'Certificate of License' in Land Surveying and 150 additional Licensed Surveyors have been engaged in Online Patta transfer work. Further, 164 Licensed Surveyors have been allotted to various Government Departments.

❖ Supply of Data Cards to Surveyors: In order to speed up the disposal of OPT applications, 3G Data cards have already been provided to 264 Firka Surveyors. In addition to that 4G data cards will be provided to 255 more Firka Surveyors.

❖ 'Integrated Land Record': Integrated Land Record comprising 'A' Register, Chitta, FMB and Adangal will be provided to the landowners through e-service. Orders have been issued by the Government in this regard and necessary action is being pursued.

❖ Resurvey: Resurvey using Modern Survey equipment viz., Differential Global Positioning System (DGPS) and Electronic Total Station (ETS), is being conducted in Krishnagiri, the Nilgiris and Kanniyakumari. 262.54 sq km area has been resurveyed.

URBAN LAND CEILING & URBAN LAND TAX

❖ Urban Land Tax at a cost of Rs. 12.85 crore collected and remitted into the Government Account.

❖ Under the 'Innocent Purchasers Scheme' concurrence for regularization has been issued by Government for 413 cases; Concurrence for regularisation was issued for an extent of 92,595 sq.m.of land.

❖ The land value of Rs. 3.69 crore has been remitted into the Government account by innocent buyers.

❖ Rs.8.70 lakh has been sanctioned by Government for the procurement of 15 Desktop Computer Systems.

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The Hon'ble Chief Minister inquired about the needs of the people living in the areas affected by rain, on 08.11.2021.

The Hon'ble Chief Minister inspected the quality of food, at a relief camp at Kolathur, Chennai on 09.11.2021.

Industries, Tamil Official Language and Tamil Culture, Archeology

Hon'ble Minister for Industries

Thiru. Thangam Thenarasu

INDUSTRIES

- 131 MoUs were signed for an investment of Rs.69,375 crore which will create job opportunities for 2,25,802 persons, through 5 investment conclaves held in Chennai, Coimbatore, Thoothukudi and UAE.
- 'Guidance' received the 'Best Investment Promotion Agency' Award in Asia Oceania Region at the Annual Investment Meeting (AIM) 2022.
- To industrialize Tamil Nadu in a big way, action is being taken to create Land Bank to an extent of 45,000 acres in the next five years.
- Release Tamil Nadu Fintech Policy 2021, Tamil Nadu Export Promotion Strategy 2021 and launched the Single Window Portal 2.0, the Single Window Mobile App and the Tamil Nadu Land Information Portal at Investment Conclaves.
- Formation of specialized cells like 'FinTech Promotion Cell', 'Export Promotion Cell' & 'Work Lab Cell' in Guidance.
- To sanction 30% capital subsidy, apart from other incentives to investors who would establish manufacturing facilities and commence commercial

production of oxygen concentrators, oxygen cylinders, medical oxygen and large liquid oxygen plants in Tamil Nadu.

- State Industries Promotion Corporation of Tamil Nadu Limited (SIPCOT) has allotted 1,328 acres of land to 207 industries and attracted an investment of Rs.19,970 crore, thereby providing employment opportunities for about 36,785 persons.
- Action is being taken to establish Food Parks at three SIPCOT Industrial Parks of SIPCOT viz. Manapparai, Theni & Tindivanam, E-Vehicle Park at Manallur, Medical Devices Park at Oragadam, Working women's Hostels at Thoothukudi, Perundurai, Siruseri & Bargur, Clothing Park at Virudhunagar, Leather Park at Panappakkam, Future Mobility Park at Shoolagiri, Textile Park at Karur, Ready Built Factory at Nemili and Plug & Play warehousing Facilities at Vallam-Vadagal, Oragadam and Perundurai.
- Industrial Eco-System Fund was created at an estimated cost of Rs.500 crore. This will enable the creation of infrastructure facilities for industrial parks and businesses innovation centres, research and development activities and general facilities.
- A MoU was signed between National Highways Logistics Management Limited., Chennai Port Trust & Tamil Nadu Industrial Development Corporation Ltd. for the establishment of a Multi-modal Logistics Park in Mappedu Village, Thiruvallur District at an Investment of Rs.1,200 crore.
- 152 units were sanctioned loans to the tune of Rs.120.45 crore under the New Entrepreneurs cum Enterprise Development Scheme (NEEDS).
- The MSMEs adversely affected by the second wave of COVID-19 pandemic, 582 units have been sanctioned loans of Rs.159.47 crore.
- Tamil Nadu Newsprint and Papers Limited (TNPL) converted the Community hall into a COVID Care Centre with 200 beds (152 beds with oxygen facilities).
- TNPL has installed an Oxygen Booster Compressor and filling stations to supply the medical grade Oxygen in cylinders to Hospitals.
- The Hon'ble Chief Minister of Tamil Nadu launched a new brand of cement "Valimai".
- Steps taken for the formation of Geo Park at Perambalur and Ariyalur District

DEPARTMENT OF ART AND CULTURE

- In order to celebrate the 75th year of India's Independence, to create 75 videos of 75 art forms and publish them on the website at a cost of Rs.1.64 crore.
- A calendar in the name of "Poetry in motion" to propagate and show the features of the Tamil traditional and folk arts to the world level using QR code.

- Tamil Nadu folk artistes' welfare board, sanctioned a sum of Rs.28.03 lakh to the 684 registered members of folk artists for various welfare schemes.
- Tamil Nadu Eyal Isai Nataka Mandram sanctioned a sum of Rs.3,000 per month to the 1,000 members of indigent artistes under the scheme of financial assistance to indigent artists.
- Tamil Nadu Eyal Isai Nataka Mandram sanctioned a sum of Rs.25,000 to 18 families of late renowned artists, as a one-time family maintenance grant.
- On the occasion of the 100th birth anniversary of Mahakavi Bharathiyar, a paintings competition was conducted and a sum of Rs.10 lakh prize was awarded.
- Department of Art and Culture sanctioned a sum of Rs.74.46 lakh to the legal heirs of 88 indigent artistes under the scheme of financial assistance to indigent artists.
- An honorarium of Rs.5 lakh from the Chief Minister's relief fund was sanctioned to Thiru. Sairam, one of the grandsons of Thiru. M.K.Thiyagaraja Bhagavathar, the eminent artists.
- The number of awards given by the District Art Society was increased to 15 numbers in each District with the additional financial commitment of Rs.53.70 lakh.
- "Role of Tamil Nadu in freedom movement" in all Districts, the Tableau was welcomed by the Department of Art and Culture by conducting various cultural programmes and Rs.10.80 lakh honorarium was paid to the artists.
- Various cultural programmes were conducted through the Department of Art and Culture in collaboration with the Tourism Department and South Zone Cultural Center and Rs.31.30 lakh honorarium was paid to the artists.
- The activities and information of the field of Art and Culture are widely shared on social media sites like Youtube, Facebook, Twitter and WhatsApp to inform many people.
- A grand folk-art festival titled 'Namma Ooru Thiruvizha' was organized with the participation of about 500 folk artistes.
- Department of Art and Culture organized a colourful cultural programme in the Expo 2020-Dubai.

DEPARTMENT OF MUSEUM

- To upgrade the Gandhi Memorial Museum, Madurai along with the Restoration of the Heritage Building at an expenditure of Rs.6 crore.
- Security Management Control System (SMCS) which includes Surveillance Cameras, Asset Protection systems, Fire alarm systems and Public Address systems with suitable modern gadgets and round the clock monitoring is being implemented through M/s. ELCOT at a cost of Rs. 2.5 crore.
- Museum based non-formal education programmes are being conducted in the Government Museum, Chennai and 23 Government Museums in the Districts.
- Restoration of a part of the Pantheon (Main) Building taken up at a cost of Rs. 5.41 crore.
- Adaptive reuse of a Heritage Building after its restoration as a Cafeteria at a cost of Rs. 2.81 crore.
- Construction of new administrative block and provision of infrastructure facilities for Rs. 4.80 crore.
- Rs. 90 lakh for the construction of compound wall on two sides of the Fossil Museum, Ariyalur.

DEPARTMENT OF ARCHAEOLOGY

- Sharjamadi, Thanjavur, Danish Fort, Tharangambadi and Tirumalai Nayak Mahal, Madurai are to be renovated at a total cost of Rs. 16.93 crore, For which, a sum of Rs. 43.66 lakh have been sanctioned for this year.
- Kodumanal, Sivagalai and clusters of Keeladi (i.e) Agaram and Kondagai sites have been preliminarily notified as Protected Archaeological Sites.
- Artefacts are found to be displayed in a world-class open-air site museum at Keeladi.
- A reconnaissance survey of Sangam Age Korkai is planned at a total cost of Rs.1.72 crore in which a sum of Rs. 93.65 lakh is to be borne by the Department of Archaeology.

- To carry out archaeological excavations in Tamil Nadu in a scientific manner, enhanced to Rs.5 crore has been allocated.
- The archaeological excavation work at Keeladi and its cluster (Manalur, Agaram, Kondagai) in Sivagangai District and Gangaikondacholapuram (Maligaimedu) in Ariyalur District have been inaugurated.
- 34 additional posts and essential funds for the new world-class Keeladi Site Museum in Sivagangai District, a sum of Rs.1.58 crore was sanctioned.
- Introduced Two years Post Graduate Diploma in Epigraphy in the revamped Tamil Nadu Institute of Archaeology & Museology.
- Procurement of high hand-held portable 3D Scanners along with high-end work stations to digitally scan the artefacts and Inscriptions by introducing the 3D Scanning in the branch of excavation and inscriptions at a cost of Rs. 60 lakh.
- To digitally document the Rock Art Paintings. An expert team consisting of an archaeological officer, geologist, and anthropologist was done at folklorist has been constituted and the first field visit of about 18 sites in Krishnagiri District.
- The seven archaeological excavations namely Keeladi and its cluster in Sivagangai District, Sivagalai and its cluster in Thoothukudi District, Gangaikondacholapuram in Ariyalur District, Mayiladumparai in Krishnagiri District going on.
- Two systematic archaeological explorations in Vellore, Krishnagiri, Tiruvannamalai, Dharmapuri and Salem to identify the Neolithic sites and also at Tirunelveli and Thoothukudi Districts to identify Tamiraparani River valley culture are to be taken up.
- Five new Tamili inscriptions namely Arittapatti, Mudhalaikulam, Thondur, Neganur, and Pulangkurichi are being preliminarily notified as "Protected Monuments".
- Unearthed artefacts from the sites like Adichanallur, Sivagalai and Korkai are to be displayed in a holistic manner at Tirunelveli city under the name world-class "Porunai Museum" at a cost of Rs. 15 crore. Nearly, 13 acres of land have been identified.
- A special exhibition showcasing the unearthed antiquities from Keeladi was set up.
- School and College Students were imparted with knowledge on the significance of temple and conservation works in all site museums during the celebrations of World Heritage Week to bring awareness to the preservation and conservation of Archaeological Monuments.
- An unique Porunai exhibition gallery in about 5,000 square feet showcasing the unearthed artefacts from the sites like Adichanallur, Sivagalai and Korkai has been organized at 45th Chennai Book Fair.
- During the 5th Porunai Nellai Book Fair, a special exhibition gallery was established for the benefit of the general public.
- Six volumes of inscriptions under "Tamil Nadu Inscriptions" series were released.
- National level workshop on Lithic Technology was organized jointly with the Department of History and Tourism of Bharathiar University, Coimbatore.
- An International seminar on "Early Tamil Culture and Heritage" at Anna Centenary Library, Kotturpuram, Chennai.

TAMIL DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT

- To encourage and honour Tamil writers who have contributed to Tamil literature, 3 Tamil writers are being awarded the Ilakkia Mamani Award and Rs.5 lakh every year.
- The Government has announced the 'Dream Home' scheme to ten Tamil writers per year who have received the award like Jnanpith Award, Sahitya Akademi Award, Kalaignar M.Karunanidhi Classical Tamil Awards, and Nobel Laureate in Tamil Literature Award in their residing or willing Districts.
- An amount of Rs.1.25 crore has been given to Cologne University in Germany for the continuous functioning of the Tamil Department.
- Books of 8 Tamil scholars were nationalized and the solatium of Rs.1.30 crore has been provided.

- Kural prize to 219 selected students who have recited the Kural a sum of Rs. 25.18 lakh was given to students.
- Rs. 25 lakh was provided for the development of the Navi Mumbai Tamil Sangam building.
- Rs.25 lakh was given to conduct classical Tamil programmes in the name of "Theera Kadhal Thirukkural" through Tamil Virtual Academy. A drawing competition was held on the topic "Kuraloviyam". Thirukkural Calendar was created from the paintings of students.
- Rs. One crore has been provided to set up Tamil Propaganda Institute to teach Tamil to Tamilians living abroad and in other states through Tamil Virtual Academy.
- Rs.15 lakh has been provided and steps have been taken to draw paintings for publishing Coffee Table Book with the paintings depicting the biographical philosophies and ideas in Sangam literature.
- Rs. 10.40 lakh has been provided to the Tamil Virtual Academy to document the rare audio/video speeches of eminent leaders and Tamil scholars on the website for the public.
- Rs. 10 lakh has been provided for publishing ancient Tamil literature, Modern literature and Children's literature as Audio Books.
- Thirukkural classes to be conducted along with Devaram, Thiruvasagam, and Dhivya Prapantham.
- Elocution competitions to be conducted on the birthdays of leaders who fought for the country in order to spread their ideas and social thoughts to the younger generation. The birthday speech competitions of Mahatma Gandhi and Jawaharlal Nehru were conducted with an expenditure of Rs. 27.20 lakh.
- Rs.10 lakh has been provided to the Tamil Nadu Textbook and Educational Services Corporation to make the Sangam literature books as compiled books and to publish Dravida Kalanjiyam Book Rs.10 lakh has been provided to the International Institute of Tamil Studies for printing and publishing these books.
- Bharathiar Centenary Memorial awards, with Rs.3 lakh each were distributed to the families of the Senior Research Scholars Late Pe. Thooran, R.A.Padmanabhan, T.M.C.Ragunathan and Ilasai Maniyan and also to Senior Researcher Thiru. Seeni Viswanathan and Professor Y.Manikandan, for carrying out research on the life and creations of Mahakavi Bharathiar.
- 'Kappalottiya Thamizhan V.O.C. Award' would be given to a Tamilian who had been engaged in activities related to ships along with Rs.5 lakh and a certification.
- Providing Rs.1 lakh with each to 110 border saviours as a special case.
- On the birthdays of Tamil scholars and writers, literary meetings are to be conducted in 12 places every year in three Districts and Rs.3.75 lakh has been allocated for this purpose this year.
- The awards presented by the Tamil Development Department have been enhanced to Rs.2 lakh.
- A book entitled "A Comparative Grammar of the Dravidian or South Indian Family of Languages" written by a foreign scholar Dr. Robert Caldwell has been translated into Tamil by Prof.Pa.Ra.Subramanian as the first book in the scheme of Muthamizh Arignar Translation and was released.
- In commemoration of the 100th Death Anniversary of Bharathi to glorify Bharathi by "Compilation of the manuscripts of Bharathi and publishing them in their own format as a classical edition, publishing a pictorial book on the life of Bharathi for the benefit of children, a book on the selected one hundred best poems of Bharathiyar with the paintings of famous artists and, also translating and publishing the works of Bharathiyar and Major Research books on Bharathiyar into English".
- A 16-days online International Seminar was conducted on the subject of "Panmuga Aalumaiyalar Kalaignar" by the International Institute of Tamil Studies.
- The founder of the International Institute of Tamil Studies and Former Chief Minister of Tamil Nadu Perarignar Anna's birthday was celebrated as the Founder's Day.
- An online seminar on V.O.Chidambaranar was conducted by the Thanjavur Tamil University.

- Rs.28.80 lakh was given as scholarship to the students studying Tamil literature at Thanjavur Tamil University.
- Rs.12 lakh was provided for the translation and publishing of Tamil literature in world languages. In the first instance, Kalaignar's 'Sanga Tamil' book was translated into French and German languages.
- The Tamil University has entered a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) with four International Institutes and 11 National Institutes for Tamil works.
- Foundational Tamil Training has been given to 15 IAS Officers by the concerned departmental professors of Tamil University.
- "Tamil Dictionary Day" festival was celebrated on Veerama Munivar's birthday. State-level "drawing" and "Tamil word coining" competitions were conducted for school students and prizes were given.
- International seminars were conducted on Tamil Dictionary day and the "Research Magazines were distributed free of cost.
- A certificate and prize amount was awarded to six persons, who speak pure Tamil and, 36 people were awarded the Thooya Tamil Patraalar Award, 2 Thooya Tamil media Award, 2 Narthamizh Pavalar Award.
- To publish the Glossary, Tamil e-books, contents of Government websites, etc. on Wikipedia and Wikisource under the Creative Public License, publications are being uploaded by the Directorate of Thamizh Etymological Dictionary project.
- Madurai, Ulaga Tamil Sangam has conducted 3 online Tamil Koodal and 12 International online Seminars.
- Madurai, Ulaga Tamil Sangam, an International online Seminar and International Poetry meet under the name of Paarengum Bharathi were also conducted.
- Annal Ambedkar Birthday elocution competitions were conducted separately for Schools and Colleges in all Districts and prizes were distributed.
- "Tamil Poet's Day" was celebrated as an admiration of the 131st birthday of the Puratchi Kavi Pavendar Bharathidasan.

International Institute of Tamil Studies

- On the occasion of Pavender Bharathidasan's birthday celebration, a lecture was delivered on the theme "Puratchi Kavignar Vazhgirar" on behalf of the Pavendar Bharathidasan Research.

World Tamil Sangam

- The International Poetry Forum held through online in collaboration with the Netherlands Sun Tamil Television, Kallidaikurichi National Education Foundation and Delhi Arts and Literature Council on the occasion of International Women's Day.
- A total of 16 books were released at book publishing event.

Law, Courts, Prisons and Prevention of Corruption

Hon'ble Minister for Law

Thiru. S. Regupathy

- Tamil Nadu State's reservation Policy (69%) will be followed for "All India Category" (SC-18%, ST-1%, OBC-50%) in the admissions of Under Graduate/Post Graduate/Ph.D programmes offered by the Tamil Nadu National Law University.
- A new Government Law College was started at Karaikudi in Sivagangai District with an intake of 80 students each in 3 years and 5 year Law degree Courses from the academic year 2022-2023.
- English Skill Development Training will be imparted to the students of all the Government Law Colleges by the Tamil Nadu Skill Development Corporation.
- Based on the recommendation of the State Law Commission, 89 and 58 obsolete and redundant Acts, a total of 147 Acts have been repealed.
- 11 persons selected through the Teachers Recruitment Board were appointed as Assistant Professors in the Government Law Colleges.
- A sum of Rs.50 lakh was sanctioned for the purchase of Law Books, Law Journals and Legal Databases for the Libraries of 14 Government Law Colleges.
- A sum of Rs.30 lakh was sanctioned for the setting up of Wi-Fi Zones with high-speed Internet facilities

in the Government Law Colleges at Tiruchirappalli, Coimbatore and Tirunelveli.

- Administrative and financial sanction was accorded for a sum of Rs.92.31 crore towards the construction of a permanent building along with Men's and Women's hostels for the Government Law College, Namakkal.
- Administrative and financial sanction was accorded for a sum of Rs.28 lakh per annum for conducting international workshops, seminars and conferences for the final year students of 14 Government Law Colleges.
- The administrative and financial sanction was accorded for a sum of Rs.14 lakh towards conducting faculty development programme and refresher courses periodically for the Assistant Professors of the Government Law Colleges to improve their teaching skills.
- A sum of Rs.28 lakh was sanctioned for the establishment of an Indoor Stadium and Gym in the Government Law Colleges at Tiruchirappalli, Coimbatore, Tirunelveli, Chengalpattu and Vellore.
- A sum of Rs.35.92 lakh was sanctioned for the purchase of Machinery, equipment, computers and spare parts for the Government Law Colleges at Salem, Namakkal and Theni.
- A sum of Rs.4.40 lakh was reimbursed to the Tamil Nadu National Law University towards the expenses incurred in organizing the All India Legal History Congress, virtually through the Zoom platform.
- A sum of Rs.2 lakh was reimbursed to the (Two) first-generation students studying in Tamil Nadu National Law University, towards the tuition fee paid by them.
- A sum of Rs.20 lakh was sanctioned for establishing a centre for Law & Agriculture and centre for Investment Laws at the Tamil Nadu National Law University, Tiruchirappalli.
- Administrative approval was accorded for a sum of Rs.46.58 lakh towards the establishment of Audio and Visual Media Centre in the School of Excellence in Law in Tamil Nadu Dr. Ambedkar Law University at Perungudi Campus.
- Administrative approval was accorded for a sum of Rs.1.67 crore towards the setting up of Solar Power Plant in the School of Excellence in Law in Tamil Nadu Dr.Ambedkar Law University.
- NCC has been introduced as an elective subject in the UG degree Courses offered in the School of Excellence in Law.
- New L.L.M Course was introduced in the subject "Cyber Space - Law and Justice" at a cost of Rs.1.18 crore in the Tamil Nadu Dr.Ambedkar Law University.
- Action is being taken by the Tamil Nadu Dr.Ambedkar Law University to improvise the research in the field of Law at par with International Standard at a cost of Rs.15 lakh.
- Admissions for Post Graduate degrees in Law (L.L.M., course) offered in the Government Law Colleges will be conducted through online mode.

PRISONS AND CORRECTIONAL SERVICES

- New 9 X-ray Baggage Scanner Machines for 9 Central Prisons in replacement of old machines at a cost of Rs.18 lakh.
- The Government has announced to take action to change the Prisons into Reform Centres.

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Housing, Rural Housing, Town Planning projects and Housing Development, Accommodation Control, Urban Planning, Urban Development and Chennai Metropolitan Development Authority

Hon'ble Minister for Housing and Urban Development

Thiru. S. Muthusamy

Tamil Nadu Housing Board

- 5,443 total units consist of 2,298 residential flats and 3,145 Plots were completed at a cost of Rs. 678.06 crore.
- 6,323 numbers of sale deeds were issued.
- Land to an extent of 7.40 acres was retrieved for a value of Rs.84.23 crore.

Co-operative Housing Federation:

- Tamil Nadu Co-operative Housing Federation has sanctioned a sum of Rs.20 crore to South Chennai Co-operative Housing Society for the implementation of a layout scheme in an area of 3.94 acres at Pidarithangal Village Phase II in Thiruvallur District.

- The Primary Co-operative Housing Societies mobilized Rs.1,436 crore of deposits and have a loan outstanding of Rs.1,977 crore and the Societies have been sanctioned a loan of Rs.912 crore.
- Under the implementation of layout schemes, 93,319 members which highlight the implementation of State Government policy of "House for each and every family".
- The enblock amendment of special by laws related to the service conditions of the employees of the housing societies are to be registered and 337 employees who have been appointed by not consulting the employment exchange will be benefitted as they will get the service benefits like seniority and promotions.
- 4 societies are selling Arasu Cement and sold 1,162 tonnes had a profit of Rs.66.18 lakh.
- 39 service centres are being run by the Primary Housing Societies and 58,533 services have been rendered to the public, having a business turnover of Rs.33 lakh.
- 116 Primary Co-operative Housing Societies are renting out 965 of their properties such as Shops, Marriage Halls, Community Halls etc.,

Directorate of Town And Country Planning

- Hon'ble Chief Minister inaugurated the Town and Country Planning own office building constructed at a cost of Rs. 5 crore in Madurai District on 15.12.2021.
- For preparation of Regional Plans, State is divided into 12 regions and Regional Plan (Preparation, Publication and Sanction) Rules, 2021 is framed. The School of Planning and Architecture has been preparing regional plans of Coimbatore and The Nilgiris at a cost of Rs.2.75 crore. Under the financial assistance of Rs. 10.50 crore funded by Asian Development Bank, preparation of regional plan for Madurai region are under progress.
- Works have been commenced for preparation of plans for 8 regions at a cost of Rs 41.63 crore.
- The District Town and Country Planning Office in Mayiladuthurai has started functioning on 16.12.2021.

- Works are under progress for construction of own office buildings for Town and Country Planning in 18 Districts at a cost of Rs. 60 crore.
- Tamil Nadu Town and Country Planning Act, 1971 has been reviewed by the CEPT in Ahmedabad.
- Urban Development Authorities have been created for Madurai, Coimbatore, Tiruppur and Hosur. For enabling their functioning, bill has been passed in the Legislative Assembly for insertion of new chapter in the Tamil Nadu Town and Country Planning Act, 1971.
- For the benefit of the public, the validity of planning permission period is extended from 5 to 8 years.
- Under regularization scheme, 358 educational buildings have been regularized.
- For increasing the plan area percentage from 7 to 22, review of 111 master plans are taken up for review and for 24 towns, new master plans are being prepared.
- Planning permission has been accorded to 2,824 residential layouts.
- Planning permission has been given for construction of 920 buildings.
- Under regularization scheme, 14,860 layouts have been regularized.
- Under single window portal, planning permission issued for 26 industrial buildings for applications received from MSME planning permission issued for 18 industrial buildings for applications received from Guidance Bureau.

Chennai Metropolitan Development Authority

- In Chennai Metropolitan Development Authority 15 vacancies in the post of Assistant Planner and 15 vacancies in the post of Planning Assistant Grade-I have been filled up by Direct Recruitment which were vacant for more than 10 years.
- CMDA introduced Single Window Online Processing and disposal of PPA end-to-end without manual intervention from 01.05.2022.
- About 8 NOC issuing Departments are integrated in the System. In addition to this DOSS & IGR are also integrated enabling to view the documents, FMB, Patta & GLV

through their portal to the properties applied for PP. CMDA also engaged in digitization of all the records including PP issued by CMDA to keep it under safe custody.

- ❖ Night Shelter has been constructed at Koyambedu for the benefit of the labourers in Koyambedu Wholesale Market Committee (KWMC) to the value of Rs.2.67 crore.
- ❖ Community hall was constructed at an extent of 1.07 Acre to the value of Rs.5.85 crore at Kattankolathur village, Maraimalai Nagar.
- ❖ The proposal for expansion of Chennai Metropolitan Area including the areas in Thiruvallur, Kancheepuram, Chengalpattu Districts and Arakkonam Taluk of Ranipet District after public consultation, covering an extent of 5,904 Sq.km. is under consideration of the Government.
- ❖ Internship Programme has been initiated by CMDA for a period from 2 to 6 months wherein 30 interns i.e., 20 under category 'A' (for students) and 10 under category 'B' (for professionals) from various field – Architecture, Planning, Civil Engineering, Economics and Sociology have been selected for the summer Internship 2022.

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Rural Development, Panchayats and Panchayat Unions, Poverty Alleviation Programmes, Rural Indebtedness

Hon'ble Minister for Rural Development

Thiru. KR.Periakaruppan

Rural Development and Panchayat Raj

- 22,06,260 works were taken up at a cost of Rs.23,214.39 crore by the Rural Development and Panchayat Raj Department.
- A sum of Rs.6,149 crore has been released to three-tier Panchayats.
- 14,32,204 FHTC have been provided to Rural households at a cost of Rs.1,162.44 crore.
- 4,123 road works having a length of 5,696 km and 54 bridge works have been taken up at a cost of Rs.2,223.33 crore.
- 4,79,992 pending works have been completed by this Government under MGNREGS. Especially, to rejuvenate the water bodies in rural areas, 1,02,308 works have been taken up at a cost of Rs.5,662.22 crore.
- To achieve the objective of 'Housing for All', 2,89,887 houses are to be constructed in rural areas at a cost of Rs.8,017.40 crore.

Tamil Nadu Corporation for Development of Women Ltd

- 16,519 new Self Help Groups were formed and Rs.32.39 crore have been distributed to 21,596 Groups as Revolving Fund.
- Community Investment Fund of Rs.255.25 crore was distributed to 37,500 Groups. Now, Rs.1.50 lakh is being

distributed to each group as Community Investment Fund.

- ❖ The vulnerability Reduction Fund of Rs.14.50 crore has been distributed to 9,830 individuals.
- ❖ 2,42,571 Women Self Help Groups have been provided training at a cost of Rs.622 crore.
- ❖ 4,08,740 Self Help Groups have been assisted with credit linkage of Rs.21,392.52 crore. So far, a bank loan of Rs.1,17,812 crore has been distributed to Women Self Help Groups.
- ❖ An interest subsidy of Rs.27.12 crore has been released to 1,62,069 Self Help Groups.
- ❖ 17,11,837 Self Help Group members have registered in Life Insurance, 21,01,722 members have registered in Accident Insurance and 22,09,249 members have registered in Medical Insurance.
- ❖ 18 District Poomaalai sales complexes have been renovated at a cost of Rs.68 lakh.
- ❖ Placement linked Skill Development Training has been provided to 11,290 youth under Deen Dayal Upadhyaya Grameen Kaushalya Yojana (DDU-GKY) Scheme.
- ❖ 15,736 youths have been given training in the Rural Self Employment Training (RSETIs) conducted by banks, of which 13,069 youths have been provided with self-employment.
- ❖ 50 Job melas were conducted in the State and 32,517 youth benefitted with secured jobs.

Vazhndhu Kattuvom Project

- ❖ 2,477 Producer Groups have been formed and a start-up fund of Rs.15 crore have been provided to 2,000 Producer Groups.
- ❖ 804 Enterprise Groups have been formed and a start-up fund of Rs. 375 crore have been provided to 500 Enterprise Groups.
- ❖ 1,131 Community Farm Schools were formed and 34,669 members of producer groups have been trained in Agriculture and Animal Husbandry at a cost of Rs.7.62 crore.

Tamil Nadu Urban Livelihood Mission

- ❖ 20,438 Self Help Groups have been set up, out of which 15,859 Self Help Groups have been provided revolving funds to the tune of Rs. 15.96 crore.
- ❖ 300 Area Level Federations have been formed, out of which 215 Area Level Federations have been provided revolving funds to the tune of Rs.1.08 crore.
- ❖ Skill Development Training with employment at a cost of Rs.11.20 crore has been provided to 7,662 Urban Youth.
- ❖ Rs.45 crore to 8,053 individuals, Rs.167.48 crore to 5,245 Business Groups and Rs. 644.42 crore to 14,237 Self Help Groups have been given as supported bank loans with interest subsidy.

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Hon’ble Minister for Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises

Thiru. T.M.Anbarasan

Rural Industries including cottage industries, small Industries, Tamil Nadu Urban Habitat Development Board

MICRO, SMALL AND MEDIUM ENTERPRISES

- To enable the Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises sector to overcome the effects of the COVID-19 pandemic, the Government has sanctioned Rs.360 crore as State Capital Subsidy. Capital subsidy of Rs.360 crore has been extended to 3,545 Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises.
- A sum of Rs.100 crore as the first instalment to implement the Tamil Nadu Credit Guarantee Scheme (TNCGS).
- Under the New Entrepreneur cum Enterprise Development Scheme (NEEDS), 929 projects with the subsidy of Rs.148.57 crore have been offered final sanctions by financial institutions. An amount of Rs.86.88 crore has been disbursed towards individual-based subsidy and Rs.10.36 crore have been disbursed.

- Under the Unemployed Youth Employment Generation Programme, 4,151 beneficiaries have been disbursed a subsidy of Rs.40.91 crore.
- Under Prime Minister's Employment Generation Programme, an amount of Rs.76.46 crore was disbursed to 3,053 beneficiaries as margin money assistance.
- By considering the COVID-19 pandemic situation, Tamil Nadu SIDCO has given a time extension of six months for the payment of land cost, instalment due and rent for its allottees. A sum of Rs.3.43 lakh has been reimbursed to five MSMEs for Stamp duty charges.
- Establishing Precision Engineering Cluster at Thirumudivakkam Industrial Estate, Kancheepuram District and Pharma Cluster at SIPCOT Industrial Park, Tindivanam, Villupuram District at a project cost of Rs.100 crore each.
- TANSIDCO is developing 5 new Industrial Estates in 4 Districts to an extent of 413 acres at a total cost of Rs.241 crore.
- The Government has issued a revised pricing policy in which plot costs in many Industrial Estates managed by TANSIDCO have been reduced up to 5% to 75%.
- An 'Empowered Committee' have been constituted to address the issue of patta to the allottees in the SIDCO Industrial Estates on the land classified as Sarkar Poramboke. The First Empowered Committee meeting was convened and resolved the issue of Pattas in 1,314 acres of land pertaining to 23 Industrial Estates including Guindy and Ambattur.
- Workers' hostel (5 floors) at a cost of Rs.29.47 crore at Industrial Estate, Ambattur to accommodate 800 workers.
- Under the scheme of establishment of Common Production Infrastructure with Government assistance of Rs.2.5 crore, for the establishment of Mould Cluster in Vellalore, Coimbatore District at a project cost of Rs.4.76 crore, Engineering cluster in Madhukarai, Coimbatore District at a cost of Rs.4.44 crore and Safety Match cluster in Gudiyattam, Vellore District at a cost of Rs.3.61 crore.
- The exemption is given from payment of Earnest Money Deposit, condition of prior turnover, condition of prior experience and waiver of tender cost to the registered Startups in Tamil Nadu as defined in the Tamil Nadu Startup and Innovation Policy for public procurements by a Procuring Entity, for procurements that are below Rs.20 lakh in value to improve the Startup ecosystem.
- Under the TANSEED scheme, 19 startups get a total subsidy of Rs.1.9 crore each.
- Under Innovation Voucher Programme, 84 Innovators have benefitted with an amount of Rs.2.29 crore.
- 19,837 aspiring and existing entrepreneurs benefitted through various training programmes in four phases.
- LTPT Subsidy of Rs.8.59 crore has been disbursed to 1,042 MSMEs.
- To encourage formal employment in the MSME sector, a Payroll subsidy of Rs.3.46 lakh has been disbursed to five Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises.

- Back-ended interest subsidies of Rs.2.39 crore have been disbursed to 809 Micro and Small enterprises.
- A sum of Rs.3.02 crore has been disbursed to 358 MSMEs under the PEACE scheme.
- A sum of Rs.150 lakh has been disbursed to 173 MSMEs for acquiring Quality Certifications.
- A sum of Rs.14.16 lakh has been disbursed to one SME for the expenses incurred for fund Raising from capital markets.
- A sum of Rs.4.16 lakh has been reimbursed to forty three Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises for Patent and Trade Mark registration.
- Under MSME Skill Training and Employment Scheme, 14,639 candidates enrolled and are undergoing have got training in the 276 Micro, Small & Medium Enterprises.
- 45 MSEFC sittings were conducted and an amount of Rs. 42.62 crore has been realised by 175 Micro and Small Enterprises.
- Under RIDF Phase I Project Modernisation of 5 Industrial Co-operative Tea factories in the Nilgiris District will be modernized at a cost of Rs.17.68 crore.
- Under RIDF Phase II Project, Modernisation of 10 Industrial Co-operative Tea factories in the Nilgiris District will be modernized at a cost of Rs.50.06 crore.
- A Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) has been signed between the Tamil Nadu Industrial Investment Corporation (TIIC) and TAICO Bank to provide working capital loans to, Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises (MSME).
- Silver anklet cluster for construction of Multi-storied Industrial complexes, at Ariya Goundampatti, Salem at an area of 1.23 acres, at a cost of Rs.24.55 crore.
- Common people will get to know about TANSI products through the "Online e-Commerce Portal".
- The Government of Tamil Nadu have released funds as Grant-in-aid of Rs. 4.82 crore for upgradation and modernization of the 3 Common Effluent Treatment Plants (CETPs) at Dindigul, Thuthipet and at Pallavaram.
- An amount of Rs.88 lakh and Rs. 1.05 crore was sanctioned as first instalment for setting up of Common Facility Centre for Design Cluster, Tirupur and Powerloom Cluster, Palladam respectively.
- An amount of Rs. 1.20 crore and Rs. 74.73 lakh was sanctioned as final instalment for setting up of Common Facility Centre in Textile Knitting Cluster, Tiruppur and Textile weaving Cluster, Erode respectively.
- Under the scheme for developing Coir Clusters in Tamil Nadu, 3 Coir Clusters in Coimbatore, Tiruppur and Erode Districts have been sanctioned, a total amount of Rs.2.96 crore as final instalment.
- Orders have been issued for development of Digital Data Driven Credit Rating system MSMEs and preparation of Industrial Data Base.

TAMIL NADU URBAN HABITAT DEVELOPMENT BOARD

- 1,23,106 houses have been constructed by Tamil Nadu Urban Habitat Development Board for the urban poor families in Tamil Nadu.

- Construction of 95,336 storeyed tenements was done.
- Rs.1,197.09 crore were spent as capital expenditure for various housing programmes.
- Allotment orders for 2,828 tenements have been issued.
- Sale deeds were issued for 544 tenements and 628 developed plots.
- Repairs and Renewal work for the tenements at a cost of Rs.37 crore.
- To provide basic infrastructure for 446 schemes at a cost of Rs.50 crore in the habitations where houses are constructed under BLC mode, of which works in 398 schemes under progress schemes.
- Reconstruction of 7,726 dilapidated tenements in Chennai and other towns has been finalized and works will be commenced early.
- The ex-gratia amount payable to the beneficiaries living in dilapidated tenements proposed for reconstruction has been increased to Rs.24,000.
- The list of 65 schemes comprising 26,483 tenements in Chennai and other towns for refurbishment at a cost of Rs.68.72 crore has been finalized and works will be commenced shortly.
- The loan agreement for Asian Development Bank funding assistance of Rs.1,095 crore has been signed for the programme to construct 6,157 resilient sustainable tenements at a cost of Rs.1,570 crore has been signed. The Government will provide Rs.475 crore for this programme. The works for the construction of 1,869 houses have been commenced under this programme and will be commenced shortly.
- The prevailing system of payment of beneficiary contribution upfront at the time of allotment of tenements has been dispensed.
- Rs. 5 lakh contribution amount to be paid per month has been reduced from Rs. 250 to Rs. 500.
- Allotment orders and sale deeds for the tenements and plots are to be issued in the name of Women head of the family.

TAMIL NADU HANDICRAFTS DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION

- Death centenary of Perum Pulavan Bharathiar, Poompuhar has produced and procured Bharathiar statues and souvenirs at low cost in various sizes and in various crafts like papier mache, clay, brassware, Thanjavur art plate, wood and have kept in display for sales its showrooms operated in Tamil Nadu and in other states.
- The Tamil Nadu Handicrafts Development Corporation (Poompuhar) is implementing a project called Craft Tourism Village at Mamallapuram at a cost of Rs. 5.61 crore for the benefit of artisans and tourism development. Rs.2.26 crore has been received for the first phase and the following works are being carried out at the cost of Rs.1.80 crore.
- Handicraft products have obtained GI Tag through effort of TNHDC Ltd., Kallakurichi wood carving, Karuppur Kalamkari painting, Thanjavur pith work and Arumbavur wood carving which was released by Hon'ble Chief Minister of Tamil Nadu.

- Every year, poompuhar presents seven categories of awards to Artisans in order to recognize and honour them for their outstanding performance and contribution to the Handicrafts sector.
- Living Craft Treasure to the best 10 master crafts person and Poompuhar State Awards to the best 10 master crafts person over the age of 65.
- Common Facility Center (CFC) is a place where, artisans can converge and use the infrastructure provided with machineries and tools to produce handicrafts, and also for giving training to artisans.
- Five Common Facility Centres have been established at a cost of Rs. 60 lakh each funded by the Union Government and Government of Tamil Nadu.
- Two more common facility centres established towards revival of languishing crafts Pathamadai Korai mat and Clay & Terracotta, have been constructed at a cost of Rs. 47 lakh each. 2,500 master crafts person were benefitted.
- Poompuhar handicrafts were showcased in the Indian Pavilion of Dubai Expo.

DEPARTMENT OF SERICULTURE

- The design your own saree concept has been implemented at a cost of Rs.10 lakh by Kancheepuram Aringar Anna Silk Handloom Weavers Co-operative Society.
- Financial assistance of Rs.5.29 crore has been provided to 3,232 beneficiaries for plantation of 5,042.30 acres of high yielding mulberry varieties.
- A sum of Rs.3.76 crore has been provided as financial assistance to sericulture farmers for construction of 329 separate silkworm rearing sheds.
- Rs.92.38 lakh has been provided to 380 farmers for installation of drip irrigation system in 600.40 acres of Mulberry Garden.
- Rs.30.52 lakh has been provided to one entrepreneur for establishing one Automatic Silk Reeling Unit of 400 ends.
- Ready silk (Twisted Silk) of 79.268 Metric Tonnes have been sold to Silk Handloom Weavers Co-operative Societies through Tamil Nadu Co-operative Silk Producers Federation Ltd., (TANSILK), Kancheepuram.

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Information & Publicity, Film Technology and Cinematograph Act, Newsprint Control, Stationery and Printing, Government Press

INFORMATION AND PUBLIC RELATIONS DEPARTMENT

Hon'ble Minister for Information & Publicity

Thiru. M.P.Saminathan

Memorials Section

- Construction works of Muthamizh Arignar Kalaignar Memorial with pictorial representation at Arignar Anna Memorial Campus, Kamarajar salai, Chennai on an area of 2.21 acre, at a cost of Rs. 39 crore.
- Construction of Muthamizh Arignar Kalaignar Statue in Omandurar Government Estate, Anna salai, Chennai at a cost of Rs. 1.70 crore.
- Setting up of Manimandapam with statue for Ayothidasa Pandithar at Chennai in memory of his 175th birth anniversary at a cost of Rs. 2.50 crore.
- Construction of Manimandapam at a cost of Rs.4 crore in Vazhuthareddy Village, Viluppuram District for the

21 martyrs who lost their lives in the struggle for social Justice in 1987.

❖ Construction works of Arangam with statue and a library for folklorist and acclaimed writer K. Rajanarayanan who popularized Karisal literature, has commenced in Kovilpatti at a cost of Rs. 1.50 crore.

❖ To renovate the House, where in Mahakavi Bharathiyar lived in Kashi, Uttar Pradesh at a cost of Rs.18 lakh.

❖ Construction of Rao Bahadhur Cruz Fernandes Manimandapam at Thoothukudi District.

❖ Renovation of the Mandapam wherein the oil press pulled by V.O.Chidambaranar is displayed in Gandhi Mandapam premises, at a cost of Rs.43.42 lakh.

❖ Renovation of V.O.Chidambaranar Memorial House at Ottapidaram and Manimandapam at Tirunelveli at a cost of Rs. 72.50 lakh.

❖ Setting up of full size statue of V.O.Chidambaranar at VOC park in Coimbatore at a cost of Rs. 43.70 lakh.

❖ Setting up of full size statue of Veera Pandiya Kattabomman, at Gandhi Mandapam premises, Guindy, at a cost of Rs.18 lakh.

❖ Setting up of full size statue of freedom fighters Maruthu Brothers, who ruled Sivagangai Seemai, at Gandhi Mandapam premises, Guindy, at a cost of Rs. 34 lakh.

❖ Statue for Freedom Fighter Anjalai Ammal to be installed in Cuddalore, at a cost of Rs. 25 lakh.

❖ Installing a statue for former President of India Dr. A.P.J. Abdul Kalam at Anna University Campus, Guindy, at a cost of Rs.18.50 lakh.

❖ Installing a statue for Nobel Prize Laureate Rabindranath Tagore at Queen Mary's College Campus, Chennai at a cost of Rs.26 lakh.

❖ Installing a statue for Moovalur Ramamirtham Ammaiyar at Mayiladuthurai at a cost of Rs.16 lakh.

❖ To install a statue for Dr.Muthulakshmi Reddy in the premises of the Government Medical College, Pudukottai at a cost of Rs.10 lakh.

❖ Setting up of sound and light show depicting the glory, history and events of Indian freedom struggle at all the Memorials to mark the 75th year of India's Independence. In the first instance estimate has been received for 10 Memorials.

❖ Renovating Gandhi Mandapam and Museum and Memorials of Perunthalaivar Kamarajar, Periyavar Bhakthavatchalam and Mootharignar Rajaji at Gandhi Mandapam premises, Guindy, at a cost of Rs.3.38 crore.

❖ Installing a Statue at Udumalaipettai Municipality Office premises and for constructing an Arangam near Thirumoorthy

Dam for Thali Palayakarar Malaiyandi Venkidupathi Ethalappar Nayakar at a cost of Rs.2.60 crore.

- Constructing a Memorial for those who died during Parambikulam Aliyar Project works in Pollachi and for constructing a two storeyed building at a cost of Rs. 4 crore and to install statues for V.K. Palanisamy Gounder, Former Minister C.Subramaniyam, Industrialist Pollachi Na. Mahalingam.
- Installing a statue in Chennai and for constructing an Arangam in Namakkal District for Former Chief Minister of Madras presidency Dr. Pa.Subbarayan a Freedom fighter who toiled for Tamil language and Tamil people, at a cost of Rs. 2.60 crore.
- Installing a statue and for constructing an arangam for the former Member of the Legislative Assembly and freedom fighter Thiru. Eswaran at Bhavani Sagar in Erode District at a cost of Rs. 2.60 crore.
- Installing a statue and for constructing an arangam for Thiru A. Govindasamy, a former Minister at Vazhudhareddy Village, Viluppuram District at a cost of Rs. 2.60 crore.
- Renovation work is to be commenced at Valluvar Kottam at a cost of Rs. 29.55 crore.
- Installation of a bust size Bronze Statue for Navalar R.Nedunchezhian at New Guest House Campus, Chepauk, Chennai.

Press Release Section

- The compensation amount has been enhanced to Rs.10 lakh, to the legal heirs of the journalist who have died due to Covid. 17 persons have been benefitted at a cost of Rs. 1.70 crore.
- Special incentive of Rs.5,000 each has been provided to all the Journalists. 5,782 persons have benefitted at a cost of Rs.2.89 crore.
- The Journalist Family Benefit fund given to families of Journalists, who die while in service, from the Chief Minister's Public Relief Fund, has been enhanced to Rs.5 lakh.
- A Social Media Wing has been newly formed for posting press releases, achievements and programmes of the Hon'ble Chief Minister in the Social Media Platforms like Twitter, Instagram, Facebook and Youtube so that news relating to the Hon'ble Chief Minister are taken to the public immediately.

Journalist Welfare Board

- A Journalist Welfare Board has been formed to provide assistance to the working journalist by integrating the welfare assistance and other assistances.
- To provide financial assistance to selected enthusiastic journalists to pursue higher education in the national level famous

institutions of journalism, so as to encourage young journalists to excel in journalism.

- To present "Kalaignar Ezhuthukol Virudhu" and Rs. 5 lakh as cash prize every year to a journalist who has contributed for the development of the downtrodden people and for social upgradation through Journalism.

Function Section

- The day on which the then Prime Minister of India Pandit Jawaharlal Nehru inaugurated the Parambikulam Azhiyaru Irrigation Project was declared on 07.10.1961 as "Parambikulam Azhiyaru Irrigation Project Day" and every year on this day, homage is to be paid to the statues of V.K Palanisamy Gounder, former Member of the Legislative Assembly, former Minister C. Subramaniyam and former Member of the Legislative Assembly and Industrialist Pollachi Na.Magalingam.
- Kappalottiya Tamizhan V.O.Chidambaranar's Death anniversary on November 18 will be observed as a 'Day of Sacrifice'. For this Rs. 30,000 by the Information Department and Rs. 50,000 by the PWD Department, totally Rs. 80,000 has been sanctioned.
- To observe September 11, death anniversary of Mahakavi Bharathiar, is to be observed as "Mahakavi Day" in honour of the centenary of Bharathi's death anniversary. For this Rs. 30,000 by the Information Department and Rs. 50,000 by the PWD Department, totally Rs. 80,000 has been sanctioned.
- Permission will be granted to hold a weekly program at the Bharathiar Memorial House, Chennai, for the next one year to mark the centenary of Mahakavi Bharathiar at a cost of Rs. 2.40 lakh.
- To celebrate the 75th Independence Day "Azadi Ka Amrit Mahotsav" in all the Districts, a total of Rs. 1.52 crore has been allocated and exhibitions have been set up.

Tamil Nadu Government MGR Film and Television Institute

- The name of "MGR Government Film and Television Institute" was changed as "Tamil Nadu Government MGR Film and Television Institute".
- Renovation work in "Tamil Nadu Government MGR Film and Television Institute" at a cost of Rs. 1.58 crore.

STATIONERY AND PRINTING DEPARTMENT

- Tamil University, Tanjore has been entrusted with the work of republishing the 232 kinds of Tamil books at a cost of Rs.2 crore.
- 6 persons were appointed on Compassionate Grounds.

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Social Welfare including Women and Children Welfare, Orphanages and Correctional Administration, Integrated Child Development Scheme and Beggar Homes and Social Reforms & Nutritious Meal Programme

Hon'ble Minister for Social Welfare & Women Empowerment

Tmt. P. Geetha Jeevan

- The Samudaya Valaikappu function is organized for antenatal women to disseminate the importance of health and nutrition care during Pregnancy and post-delivery, benefiting 90,000 antenatal women.
- One day Orientation Programme for the newly elected representatives /Panchayat leaders is being conducted to sensitize them for working towards Malnutrition Free Tamil Nadu, Rs.3.5 crore have been sanctioned.
- To create employment opportunities, 25% of the posts of Anganwadi Worker, Mini Anganwadi Worker and Anganwadi Helper have been reserved for widows and deserted women on a priority basis.
- The retirement age on superannuation for Anganwadi Helpers has been enhanced to 60 years.
- An amount of Rs.7.76 crore has been sanctioned for the provision of electricity facilities to 7,757 Anganwadi

centres at the rate of Rs.10,000 per Anganwadi centre.

- ❖ An amount of Rs.18.17 crore has been sanctioned to enhance the rent of Anganwadi centres for 7,228 ICDS centres that are functioning in rental buildings.
- ❖ Annual maintenance cost of Rs.3000 per centre was sanctioned to 43,214 Anganwadi Centres functioning in Government-owned buildings at a total cost of Rs.12.96 crore.
- ❖ During the year 2021-2022, in 25 districts two sets of free colour uniform dresses were provided to 2 to 6 years pre-school children attending Anganwadi centres at a total cost of Rs.24.80 crore.
- ❖ During the year 2022-2023, in 7 districts, two sets of free colour uniform dresses will be provided to 1,58,063 pre-school children attending Anganwadi centres at a total cost of Rs.4.15 crore.
- ❖ The Government introduced the State Level Regional Tender (4 Regions) System to procure Agmark quality eggs for the beneficiaries under Nutritious Meal Programme. Approximately 60 lakh children are benefiting from this scheme every day.
- ❖ Virtual Learning interventions are followed in ECCE during the pandemic period in all the Anganwadi Centres of Tamil Nadu and shared as soft copies to ICDS Functionaries for planning home-based creative activities for the children at home.
- ❖ WhatsApp groups are formed for the parents and caregivers of the Anganwadi Children. This innovative and unique initiative promotes the all round development of children through the play way method involving parents and caregivers at home.
- ❖ The voice drop messages of the Hon'ble Chief Minister of our State have been sent to 4.6 lakh pregnant/Lactating mothers registered in PICME software to create awareness about breastfeeding and celebration of Breastfeeding Week on August 1st-7th 2021.
- ❖ The Self-Monitoring Tool on IYCF practices to Mothers and Caregivers of 0-2 year children in 27 districts, has been supplied at a cost of Rs.1.30 crore for improving the child nutrition of the community.
- ❖ Under Marriage Assistance Scheme, a sum of Rs.762.22 crore has been allocated for providing 8 grams of 22 carat of Gold coin (Rs.379 crore) and financial assistance (Rs.383 crore) for the benefit of 94,700 beneficiaries (53,599 graduates and 41,101 non-graduates).
- ❖ The Government has introduced a free travel scheme by allowing all the women to travel in town buses at free of cost. 105.52 crore trips have been availed by women.
- ❖ Transgender who possess identity cards can travel in town buses with cost-free tickets. 6.13 lakh trips have been availed by the Transgender.
- ❖ For the first spell, a sum of Rs.1.69 crore has been distributed to all districts during the first wave of Covid-19 as a relief fund for benefiting 8,493 Transgender.
- ❖ For the second spell, a sum of Rs.1.71 crore has been distributed to all districts during the second wave of Covid-19 as a relief fund for benefiting 8,591 Transgender.
- ❖ The financial assistance of Rs.1000 is given as a monthly pension for the destitute Transgender above 40 Years. The budget allotment of Rs.1.50 crore is being made to benefit 1,071 destitute Transgender.
- ❖ Under the Transgender Self-Employment Grant Scheme, a sum of Rs.1 crore has been sanctioned and Rs.96.65 lakh has been distributed among the districts for the first phase to benefit 192 transgender people by starting their businesses.
- ❖ To improve the lives and livelihoods of "Thirunangai", 20 transgender persons were trained for personal skill development

training at the Anna institute of management. Skill development training is to be provided for 655 transgender people in all districts.

- ❖ 18 Working Women Hostels to be established in 38 Districts in the State.
- ❖ 3 Working Women hostels are being constructed for benefiting 678 Working Women at Trichy, Guduvanchery and Tambaram.
- ❖ 5 working women hostels are to be developed at Hosur, Thiruvannamalai, St.Thomas Mount, Vadapalani and Krishnagiri and the detailed project report for the same is under process. Lands are being identified in other districts for the construction of Working Women Hostels.
- ❖ Tamil Nadu State Policy for Women was drafted in both English and Tamil and uploaded to the Government website for getting opinions and suggestions from the public. Steps are being taken to release Tamil Nadu State Policy for Women shortly.
- ❖ A sum of Rs.102.01 lakh has been released as a State grant to old age homes benefiting 711 senior citizens.
- ❖ A sum of Rs.590.47 lakh has been released as a State grant to Integrated Complexes of Special Homes for Senior Citizens and destitute children benefitting 989 senior citizens and 959 Children.
- ❖ A sum of Rs.485.09 lakh has been incurred as expenditure to the homes run by Non-Governmental Organizations receiving grants from Government benefitting 963 Women and 83 Children.
- ❖ June 15th, is commemorated as elders abuse awareness day. A sum of Rs.3.80 lakh has been spent on the above awareness programme.
- ❖ A sum of Rs.5.70 lakh has been sanctioned to celebrate International Elders Day on 01.10.2021.
- ❖ Drafting Committee was formed to prepare a draft "State Policy on Senior Citizens" (English and Tamil).
- ❖ A sum of Rs.1.18 crore has been sanctioned to implement the National Action Plan for Senior Citizens (NAPSrC).
- ❖ Under the Chief Minister's Girl Child Protection Scheme, a sum of Rs.83.45 crore has been incurred for benefiting 33,359 beneficiaries.
- ❖ 170 babies have been rescued under Cradle Baby Scheme. 3,190 child marriages have been stopped.

- The Retirement Age of Cook and Cook Assistant in the Nutritious Meal Centers has been enhanced to 60 years.
- The Social Audit has been permitted in 100 Nutritious meal Centres by the Government.
- To enhance the quality of the Nutritious Meal Centres, the process of ISO certification in 100 Nutritious meal Centres.
- Action is being taken to assess the nutritional status of the children with an expenditure of Rs.2 crore for 46.70 lakh Nutritious meal beneficiaries at Government and Government Aided schools.
- Construction of 1,291 Kitchen cum stores at a total expenditure of Rs. 69 crore to the Nutritious Meal Centres.
- Installation of water purifiers in 1,000 Nutritious meal Centres at a total cost of Rs.80 lakh.
- During the period of closure of schools due to the COVID-19 pandemic, Rice, Dal and 10 Eggs per month were given to the Children.
- To hygienically cook the meals in 25,000 Nutritious meal Centres, a hygienic kits has been provided to all the cook assistants with a total cost of Rs.1.62 crore.
- A sum of Rs.5 lakh per child is deposited in the name of the child who lost both parents either due to Covid-19 or one parent deceased earlier and another parent due to Covid-19 and the deposited amount will be paid to the child with accrued interest when he/she completes 18 years of age. 338 Children were benefited at a cost of Rs.16.90 crore.
- A sum of Rs.3 lakh has been given to the surviving father or mother of the child who had lost either father or mother due to Covid-19 as immediate relief. 10,486 Children were benefited at a cost of Rs.314.58 crore.
- A maintenance grant of Rs.3,000 per month has been given for a child who had lost both parents and living with his relative/guardian without being admitted to any registered Child Care Institutions or Government hostels. 308 Children were benefited at a cost of Rs.84.93 lakh.
- The Government issued orders for the creation of the "Tamil Nadu Child Victim Compensation Fund" and guidelines for the rehabilitation of the children who are victims affected under the Protection of Children from Sexual Offences Act (POCSO)-2012 with an initial amount of Rs.2 crore awarded for interim compensation and the Government have sanctioned an additional fund of Rs.5 crore to this Fund for providing compensation to 373 Children.
- To encourage alternative care to children in families instead of placing children under institutional care, the financial assistance of Rs.2,000 per child every month for 3 years is being given for 1,148 waitlisted children under the Sponsorship Scheme at a cost of Rs.1.38 crore through State funds.
- Establishment of "Integrated Training Centre for Social Empowerment" in association with UNICEF to provide training to Stakeholders related to the Child Protection Services.
- The Government has issued the "Tamil Nadu State Child Protection Policy 2021" for the overall well-being of children.
- Establishment of De-addiction Centres at Tirunelveli and Chennai to control the habit of consuming drugs among the children of these Districts at a cost of Rs.21.54 lakh.
- The Government has issued orders to create District Child Protection Units, Juvenile Justice Board and Child Welfare Committee in the six newly created Districts.
- A sum of Rs.14.27 lakh has been sanctioned for imparting modernized Vocational Training to the women in Vigilance / Protective Homes.

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Fisheries, Fisheries Development Corporation and Animal Husbandry

Hon'ble Minister for Fisheries – Fishermen Welfare and Animal Husbandry

Thiru. Anitha R. Radhakrishnan

FISHERIES AND FISHERMEN WELFARE DEPARTMENT

- Enhancement of Special allowance being paid during lean fishing months to Rs.6,000 to each marine fisherman family. So far relief of Rs.92.406 crore was disbursed to 1,54,009 fishermen's families.
- Under the Savings cum relief scheme for marine fishermen, the Government has sanctioned Rs.63.19 crore. So far, a relief of Rs.53.40 crore was disbursed to 1,78,021 marine fishermen of 12 coastal Districts.
- Under the National Savings cum relief scheme for marine fisherwomen, the Government has sanctioned Rs.62.80 crore. So far, a relief of Rs.53.07 crore was disbursed to 1,76,911 marine fisherwomen of 12 coastal Districts.
- Under the scheme of Motorization of Traditional crafts, 549 Engines have been supplied to traditional fishermen and subsidy amount of Rs. 1.80 crore was released.
- To provide scholarships for fisher youth to pursue Maritime Education and Nautical Science courses, the Government had released an amount of Rs.15.75 lakh to 51 fisher youth.

- A relief of Rs.5.65 crore sanctioned to fishermen whose Boats, Catamaran, Nets were damaged in heavy rainfall of North-East monsoon.
- A relief of Rs.5 lakh each for 108 mechanised fishing boat fishermen and Rs.1.50 lakh each for 14 country boat fishermen whose fishing Boats were apprehended by Srilankan Navy.

Inland Fisheries

- 65.68 crore early fry fish seeds are produced from 10 Government fish seed production centres.
- 9.35 crore fingerlings are produced from 38 Government fish seed rearing centres.
- River ranching of native fish species for a total project cost of Rs.1.24 crore.

Tamil Nadu Fisheries Development Corporation (TNFDC)

- Through Modern fish stalls and Mobile fish units, 227.066 tonnes of fish were sold and earned revenue of Rs.12.12 crore.
- Sale of 81,742 KL Tax exempted Diesel to the Marine Fishermen.
- Supply of 9,869 KL Industrial Kerosene at a subsidised rate to 3,015 marine fishermen.
- Through Reservoir fish landings, 840.83 tonnes of fish were caught and revenue was realised for Rs.7.33 crore.
- 1,450 kg of good quality fish for a value of Rs. 9.14 lakh delivered at the door steps of customers against 1,041 orders received through e-mail and Mobile App.

Tamil Nadu Fishermen Welfare Board (TNFWB)

- 4,289 claims have been settled and Rs.5.86 crore has been disbursed to the beneficiaries under various relief measures and welfare schemes.

Tamil Nadu Dr. J. Jayalalithaa Fisheries University

- Integrated fish farm model complex at Fisheries College & Research Institute, Thoothukudi for capacity building for inland fish culturists to augment fish production at a cost of Rs. 2.76 crore.
- Training Facility on Safety at Sea for fishermen at Directorate of Incubation and Vocational Training in Fisheries, TNJFU, Mandapam at a cost of Rs. 1.20 crore.
- Development of cost-efficient feeds and farming practices of Asian Seabass for fish farmers of Tamil Nadu at Directorate of Incubation and Vocational Training in Aquaculture, TNJFU, Muttukadu at a cost of Rs. 80 lakh.
- Integrated Disease Surveillance monitoring system and Seed quality assessment to Augment Aquaculture Production in Tamil Nadu at TNJFU Campus, Madhavaram at a cost of Rs. 1.01 crore.
- Establishment of "Aquaponics Technology Park" for the production of multiple vegetable crops by re-circulating Fish Culture Water in the water limited area of Barur, Krishnagiri District at a cost of Rs. 1.98 crore.
- Establishment of "DIGITAL BLUE" - e-extension hub in the Aquaculture and Fisheries Sector at a cost of Rs. 1.06 crore.

Additional Infrastructure

- The Government sanctioned Rs.26.09 crore for the additional infrastructure facilities through NABARD funding support for Tamil Nadu Dr.J.Jayalalithaa Fisheries University.

New Technologies Released

- 14 new Technologies were developed in Tamil Nadu Dr.J.Jayalalithaa Fisheries University.

Education

- A total of 195 Undergraduates, 56 Postgraduates and 4 Ph.D students passed out.
- 15% of seats were additionally allotted to the Fishermen candidates for getting admission in B.F.Sc., degree programmes and 18 students were admitted.
- For admission of students under 7.5% reservation category specific for the students who had studied in Government Schools, a total of 15 students were admitted in the undergraduate degree programmes.

- 373 students admitted in undergraduate courses, 44 students admitted in postgraduate courses and 29 students admitted in Ph.D courses.
- The students of this University have achieved in the All India Level Entrance Examination for PG admission by the Indian Council of Agricultural Research. One student of Tamil Nadu Dr.J.Jayalalithaa Fisheries University secured the fifth rank in the All India Entrance Examination for Admission for postgraduate studies (AIEEA (PG) – 2021) conducted by the ICAR, New Delhi for the year 2021.Totally 28 students of this University made it within 100 ranks, of which 10 students came within 25 ranks.

Service to the Fishermen

- Two training centres have been created under the Government of Tamil Nadu funded project "Establishment of Deep sea fishing technology and Management centres at Thoothukudi and Thoothoor" with a budget outlay of Rs.3.82 crore. On-campus training programmes were conducted for the benefit of 120 Fishermen and an on-board training programme was conducted for the benefit of 32 Fishermen in the Deep Sea Fishing Technological aspect.

Buildings inaugurated by the Hon'ble Chief Minister of Tamil Nadu:

- Paraprofessional Institute of Vocational Training in Aquaculture at Muttukadu, Chengalpattu District with a budget of Rs.7.31 crore.
- Centre for Sustainable Aquaculture at Jeeyapuram, Tiruchirappalli District with a budget of Rs.2.50 crore.

Fish feed formation

- Directorate of Incubation and Vocational training in Aquaculture, Muttukadu, Chennai developed and released three feed products viz, flower horn feed, Goldfish feed and grow-out feed for Pangasius, Indian Major Carps and Tilapia and the selling cost is very low.
- Establishment of Loach (Ayirai Meen) Research Centre Theni District at a cost of Rs. 2.91 crore.

ANIMAL HUSBANDRY DEPARTMENT

- Through the Veterinary Institutions functioning all over the State 13.07 crore treatments, first aid, surgeries, vaccinations, deworming and artificial inseminations were carried out and 24.87 lakh calves have been born.
- To improve fodder production 25.98 lakh fodder slips and 100.25 metric tonnes of vermicompost have been produced in the department farms and were distributed to the farmers.
- 574 genetically proven breeds of kids, 719 piglets and 80 cattle are being sold to the cattle breeders.
- Though District Livestock farms a revenue of Rs. 24.75 lakh and Rs. 13.62 lakh was generated by sale of birds and chicks and eggs respectively.
- 54.46 lakh of frozen semen straws have been produced and used all over Tamil Nadu.
- 1,027 Mecheri lambs were supplied to livestock breeders to improve their livestock.
- 1,01,354 cattle were treated at their location by the mobile veterinary ambulance service.
- 102 new veterinary Institutions were sanctioned for construction with financial assistance from NABARD, where in the construction of 40 buildings was completed and the remaining 62 works are under process.
- 34,77,900 Livestock in Tamil Nadu has been vaccinated against Anthrax, Haemorrhagic septicemia, Black Quarter and Sheep pox diseases under the ASCAD scheme.
- Under Specialized Veterinary Care and Awareness camps, 7,760 camps were proposed to be conducted at a cost of Rs.7.76 crore.
- Under NADCP, a total of 77.85 lakh eligible bovines are vaccinated against FMD.

- Under the National Agricultural Development Program, 1,925 beneficiaries in 37 Districts have been provided with 1000 one day old chicks, feed for one month and an incubator, at a 50 per cent subsidy and the scheme is being implemented by which 1,451 beneficiaries have benefitted.
- Work is in progress to set up the broiler farms at a cost of Rs.2.25 crore for 200 beneficiaries each in Villupuram and Theni Districts.
- Poultry farms with low investment technology at a cost of Rs.1.40 crore are being set up for 200 beneficiaries each in Ramanathapuram, Dharmapuri, Pudukottai and Virudhunagar Districts.
- Procurement of surgical instruments and equipment is being carried out for setting up operating theatres in 32 veterinary hospitals at a cost of Rs. 3.02 crore.
- Livestock Insurance Scheme for 2.50 lakh livestock units under National Livestock Mission is implemented in all Districts at a cost of Rs. 11.50 crore.
- Through Embryo Transfer and in-vitro Fertilization Technology at District Livestock Farm, Hosur, 487 embryos have been collected, 330 embryos have been transferred and 157 embryos have been stored.
- Under the National Artificial Insemination Program (Phase-II & III), frozen semen of high yielding bulls was utilised to inseminate 14.50 lakh cows and buffaloes of 11.75 lakh cattle breeders.
- Economically poor Widows/Destitute/orphaned women, are to be given 5 sheep/goats at a total cost of Rs.75.63 crore

TAMIL NADU VETERINARY AND ANIMAL SCIENCES UNIVERSITY

- TANUVAS ranked first among State Veterinary Universities and 12th among all the agricultural Universities in the recently released ICAR-ranking list.
- Establishment of fodder seed production unit for sustainable livestock production under the North-Western zone of Tamil Nadu at a cost of Rs. 1.49 crore.
- Establishment of Trichy Black sheep research centre at Dharmapuri district at a cost of Rs.1.80 crore.
- Establishment of a resource centre for indigenous Siruvidai chicken of Tamil Nadu at Poultry Research Station, Chennai at a cost of Rs. 1.52 crore.
- Establishment of a resource centre for Pattanam sheep at VC & RI, Orathanadu at a cost of Rs.1.97 crore.
- Modernisation of university innovation and instrumentation centre at University Research Farm at a cost of Rs. 2.50 crore.
- Establishment of zoonoses research laboratory cum one health interface platform for Southern districts of Tamil Nadu at VC & RI, Tirunelveli at a cost of Rs. 1.61 crore.
- Five new buildings constructed at a total budget of Rs.1.15 crore to conserve the Salem black goats under the National Agricultural Development Programme at Veterinary College and Research Institute, Namakkal.
- A total of four MoUs have been executed by TANUVAS with various institutions to promote academic and research collaboration.
- A Tripartite Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) was executed among TANUVAS, Tirumala Milk Products Private Limited, Chennai and ASSIST Development Solutions, Chennai with an objective to promote and accelerate the education of dairy farmers in sustainable dairy management practices through training and awareness programmes.
- A Memorandum of Understanding was executed with M/s Biovet Private Limited towards transferring three viral vaccines developed by the University Research Scholars.
- Four patents have been obtained for the technologies developed by the faculty members of TANUVAS.

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Backward Classes Welfare, Most Backward Classes Welfare and Denotified Communities Welfare

Hon'ble Minister for Backward Classes Welfare

Thiru. R.S.Rajakannappan

- Due to the continuous efforts of the Hon'ble Chief Minister and by seeking legal remedies in the Hon'ble High Court and Supreme Court, the Union Government has decided to grant 27% reservation for Other Backward Classes (OBCs) in the All India Quota for undergraduate and postgraduate medical courses from the current academic year whereby social justice has been protected.
- The parental annual income ceiling for Backward Classes, Most Backward Classes and Minorities Welfare hostel admission has been enhanced from Rs.1 lakh to Rs.2 lakh.
- Rs. 11.51 crore has been spent as reimbursement of fee to 317 students who studied in Government schools and have joined MBBS and BDS courses under 7.5% preferential allotment seats.
- "Semmozhi Noolagam" in 275 college hostels at a cost of Rs.2.74 crore.
- Play materials and exercise equipment to 275 college hostels at a cost of Rs.1.52 crore.
- Books for preparation of competitive exams to 40 college hostels at a cost of Rs.10 lakh.

- Personality development and Spoken English training to the inmates of 275 college hostel students through Tamil Nadu Skill Development Mission.
- Prizes to best hostels at district level at a cost of Rs.7.80 lakh.
- Training to Wardens/ Matrons of hostels at a cost of Rs.49.55 lakh.
- Bio-metric in 20 College girls' hostels at a cost of Rs.23.60 lakh.
- Special repair and renovation works in hostels at a cost of Rs.13 crore.
- Construction of compound wall in 7 hostels at a cost of Rs.1 crore.
- Miscellaneous charges to hostel boarders have been enhanced (For school hostels from Rs.50 to Rs.100, college hostels from Rs.75 to Rs.150) at an additional cost of Rs.490.26 lakh.
- 2 School hostels were upgraded into college hostels at a cost of Rs.14.44 lakh.
- Own buildings will be constructed for 2 hostels at a cost of Rs.6.60 crore.
- Essay competition, Sports competition in the name of "Kalai Thiruvizha" in hostels is being conducted at a cost of Rs.3.80 lakh.
- To get benefit under Education scholarship schemes, the parental annual income limit is enhanced from Rs.2 lakh to Rs.2.50 lakh. Rs.217.72 crore has been allotted.
- Monthly boarding and Lodging charges, under Education scholarship schemes, have been enhanced at an uniform rate of Rs.400 per month, at an additional cost of Rs.9 crore.
- Toilet facilities for the use of differently-abled students in 234 Kallar Reclamation school buildings at a cost of Rs.4.68 crore.
- Special repair and maintenance works in Kallar Reclamation school buildings at a cost of Rs.6 crore.
- English Medium classes will be started in 9th standard in 15 Kallar Reclamation schools.
- English medium classes were started in the first standard in 225 Kallar Reclamation schools.
- Personality development and Spoken English training for 8th to 11th standard students of Kallar Reclamation schools.
- The annual income ceiling for availing benefits under the "Incentive scheme for rural girl students belonging to the Most Backward Classes and Denotified Communities" has been enhanced to Rs.1 lakh. A sum of Rs.16.75 crore has been allotted.
- Bicycles will be distributed to 4,00,210 students belonging to Backward Classes, Most Backward Classes and Denotified Communities studying in 11th standard at a cost of Rs.165.69 crore.
- Beneficiary's annual income ceiling to avail benefit under the schemes such as the supply of Sewing machines, Iron Boxes and House site pattas, has been enhanced Rs.1 lakh.
- The number of brass iron boxes distributed annually has been increased to 3,000 persons, at a cost of Rs.1.46 crore.
- A sum of Rs.95.24 lakh has been sanctioned as financial assistance to 3,533 registered members of the Denotified Communities Welfare Board.
- A sum of Rs.7.98 crore has been sanctioned as financial assistance to 14,118 registered members of the Tamil Nadu Narikuravar Welfare Board.
- Marriage assistance provided to the registered members or family members of the Denotified Communities Welfare board, Narikuravar Welfare Board and Ulemas and Employees Welfare board has been enhanced to Rs.3,000 for men, and Rs.5,000 for women.
- Loans to the tune of Rs.84.40 crore have been disbursed to 12,662 Backward Classes, Most Backward Classes and Denotified Community beneficiaries through Tamil Nadu Backward Classes Economic Development Corporation.
- Thanthai Periyar Award cash prize has been increased to Rs. 5 lakh. Thus the awardee is awarded a gold medal of 1 sovereign and a cash prize of Rs. 5 lakh. Thanthai Periyar Award has been awarded to Thiru. K. Thirunavukarasu.

Hon’ble Minister for Forests

Thiru. K. Ramachandran

Forests

- To mark the occasion of the birthday of the Former Chief Minister Muthamizh Arignar Kalaignar as a precursor to the launch of Pasumai Thamizhagam, 38,000 seedlings were planted. Further 73 lakh seedlings were raised on Agro-Forestry Scheme.
- Green Committees are constituted at the State and District level for the preservation of trees in public places.
- Successful rehabilitation of elephant Rivaldo into the wild.
- Safe Capture and Translocation of Tiger from Gudalur Division.
- The compensation amount for human death and permanent incapacitation has been enhanced to Rs.5 lakh.
- Rs.90 lakh was disbursed under Access and Benefit Sharing scheme Bio Diversity Act to the beneficiaries.
- Kazhuveli Marsh land declared as 16th Bird sanctuary of Tamil Nadu.
- Declaration of Dugong Conservation Reserve at Gulf of Mannar Biosphere Reserve.
- 13 Wetlands proposed for Ramsar Site Declaration.
- Successfully obtained NABARD funding for Rs. 481.14 crore for the Restoration of Degraded Forests.

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Hon'ble Chief Minister visited Arignar Anna Zoological Park, Vandalur and reviewed the treatment being given to COVID-19 infected lions on 06.06.2021

Hon'ble Chief Minister planted a sapling at Secretariat, Chennai in front of Namakkal kavignar maligai on 12.03.2022.

Food and Civil Supplies, Consumer Protection and Price Control

Hon’ble Minister for
Food and Civil Supplies
Thiru. R. Sakkarapani

FOOD AND CIVIL SUPPLIES

- The Hon’ble Chief Minister of Tamil Nadu announced to distribute Rs.4,000 as cash assistance (Rs.2,000 in two instalments) to 2,09,81,900 Rice cardholders as a Covid relief measure and to secure their livelihood and sanctioned an amount of Rs.8,392.76 crore.
- As part of corona relief to 2,07,70,332 rice card holders, a kit containing 14 grocery items was distributed through Fair Price Shops at a total cost of Rs.977.10 crore.
- Pongal gift hamper containing 21 items to all Rice card holders including families living in Sri Lankan Tamil rehabilitation camps at a total cost of Rs.1,297 crore. Pongal gift hamper was distributed to 2,12,17,756 rice card holders including families living in Sri Lankan Tamil Rehabilitation Camps.
- A total of 11,47,844 new smart family cards have been printed and distributed to those who were found eligible.

- A new Assistant Commissioner Office, Kolathur Zone has been formed with 65 Fair Price Shops.
- Introduced an online registration system for farmers who bring paddy to the Direct Purchase Centres, 47.75 lakh metric tonnes has been procured.
- The Government has enhanced the wages to Rs.10 per bag, for the seasonal load men towards loading and stacking of 40 kg paddy bags engaged in direct purchase centre. 27,845 Seasonal Load men have benefited.
- KMS incentive amount was enhanced for Grade ‘A’ as Rs.100 and Rs.75 for common Paddy.
- TNCSC has 21 MRMs with a monthly hulling capacity of 52,500 MTs besides having 473 Regular hulling agents with a monthly hulling capacity of 7,67,431 MTs.
- For the installation of 21 TNCSC run MRMs and Regular hulling agents to ensure the hulling of paddy within the time limit, the “One Time Special Scheme” was introduced.
- Hulling charges for the hulling agents have been enhanced to Rs.25 per quintal for Raw Rice mills and Rs.40 per quintal for Boiled Rice mills.
- Appointment orders were issued for 34 legal heirs of the deceased employees of Tamil Nadu Civil Supplies Corporation.
- 7,945 Cases were registered under the Essential Commodities Act, 1995, were registered. Rs.8.11 crore goods were seized under the Public Distribution System.
- As per Detention under the Prevention of Black Marketing and Maintenance of Supplies of Essential Commodities Act, 1980, 93 persons were arrested and remanded in custody.

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Electricity, Non Conventional Energy Development, Prohibition and Excise, Molasses

Hon'ble Minister for Electricity, Prohibition and Excise

Thiru. V.Senthilbalaji

- One lakh Agriculture service connections have been effected in six months, covering 2.13 lakh acres of land at a cost of Rs. 803 crore.
- Since the date of commencement of Minnagam on 20.06.2021, the total number of complaints registered as on 03.05.2022 were 8,05,379, of which 7,99,651 (99.29%) complaints have been resolved.
- During the financial year 2021-2022, savings to the tune of around Rs.2,200 crore have been achieved by various measures viz., improved generation by efficient operation of the existing generating stations, reduction in interest payment, etc.
- 3 new Regions with headquarters at namely Thanjavur, Thiruvannamalai and Karur have been formed.

- ❖ 8.16 lakh new service connections have been effected.
- ❖ 24,036 new distribution transformers erected.
- ❖ Additionally 47 New Substations have been established.
- ❖ 742.21 Circuit kms of EHT lines.
- ❖ 6,429.83 kms of HT lines.
- ❖ 10,258.75 kms of LT lines have been energized.
- ❖ Additional/Enhancement of Transformers in existing Substations : 120 Numbers
- ❖ The total installed capacity of Tamil Nadu has been increased to 33,877.31 MW from 32,595.06 MW.
- ❖ The installed capacity of solar roof top is 359 MW.
- ❖ The energy generated from TANGEDCO owned thermal stations during the year 2020-2021 was 15,553.52 million units and 20,391.18 million units during 2021-2022 with an increase of 4,837.66 Million Units which is around 31.1% higher than the previous year.
- ❖ TANGEDCO has exceeded the annual target of 3,853.74 million units set by Central Electricity Authority (CEA) for hydro generation. TANGEDCO has generated around 5,514.10 MU, about 1,660.36 MU higher than the target fixed by the CEA.

The following Power Purchase Agreements have been executed

- ❖ Memorandum of Understanding has been signed for procurement of 1,000 MW of solar power at the rate of Rs.2.61 per unit from Solar Energy Corporation of India for 25 years.

- ❖ TANGEDCO had executed Power Supply Agreement (PSA) with M/s. PTC India Ltd under Pilot Scheme II for procurement of 400 MW for a period of 3 years at the rate of Rs.3.26 per unit.
- ❖ TANGEDCO had signed an Agreement for procurement of 1,500 MW for a period of 25 years at an average of Rs.3.06 per unit from Talibra Thermal Station Project of Neyveli Lignite Corporation.
- ❖ Considering the future demand, arrangements has been made for procurement of 627 MW at the rate of Rs. 4.04 per unit for 5 years under MTOA.
- ❖ Apart from the existing Central Generating Station shares, additionally agreement has been signed for procurement of 592 MW at an average of Rs. 4.76 per unit for 5 years.
- ❖ Mass Maintenance works carried out during the year : 12,34,108
- ❖ In water logging areas, so far 1,339 pillar boxes have been identified and height has been increased to 1 meter.
- ❖ 172.39 lakh tonnes of coal received during 2021-2022 being the highest receipt of coal in the last 10 years.
- ❖ As per the CEA guidelines, TANGEDCO has implemented the supply of about 5 Lakh tonnes coal directly from mines through Road cum Rail mode (RCR).
- ❖ In addition to the existing 2 berths at Paradip port, TANGEDCO has opted for 2 additional berths namely IOHP & JSW.

IT Initiatives

- ❖ Online Application portal for new Agriculture Service Connection has been developed and completed.

- Single payment gateway for all Net Banking has been enabled on 06.11.2021.

MOLASSES

- To increase ethanol production, the Government has empowered the Distillery Officers to certify the ethanol produced from sugarcane juice and B heavy molasses, for the first time in the state of Tamil Nadu.
- Sugar mills located within 1 km to 5 km from the water bodies are exempted from the G.Os issued in 1989 and 1998 and permitted to install ethanol plants by adaption of Zero Liquid Discharge.
- Installation of the ethanol plant in MRK Co-operative Sugar Mill, Sethiathoppu and Kallakurichi-1 Co-operative Sugar Mills.

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> **“We are taking swift measures to settle the grievances of power consumers. Within a month after coming to power, I inaugurated a grievances redressing centre by launching Minnagam. I would like to mention here that about 90 per cent of grievances received were redressed.”**
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> - Hon’ble Chief Minister of Tamil Nadu **Thiru. M.K. Stalin**

Hon’ble Minister for Handlooms and Textiles

Thiru. R. Gandhi

Handlooms and Textiles, Khadi and Village Industries Board, Boodhan and Gramadhan

- The Government has ordered for creation of separate Commissionerate of Textiles by bifurcating the Department of Handlooms and Textiles and the Hon’ble Chief Minister of Tamil Nadu has inaugurated the new Department.
- 179.59 lakh Sarees and 179.36 lakh Dhoties were produced from Weavers Co-operative Societies and dispatched under Distribution of Sarees and Dhoties Scheme, at a cost of Rs.493.7 crore.
- The Preloom wages increased to the Handloom and Pedalloom Sarees to Rs. 26.67 per unit and Dhoties to Rs. 12.36 per Unit produced under Distribution of Sarees and Dhoties scheme sanctioned.
- Rs.327.44 crore has been allotted for 489.69 lakh metres for 4 set of Uniform clothes have been supplied under Free Supply of Uniform Scheme, 39,51,155 students are benefited.
- The preloom wages increased for Handloom and Pedalloom Casement each to Rs. 4.89 per metre and Drill cloth varieties each to Rs. 4.69 per metre respectively under Supply of Uniform Scheme.

- Weavers Mudra Scheme, a minimum loan of Rs.50,000 for cotton loom and Rs.1,00,000 for silk loom are provided through Nationalized Banks at an interest rate of 6% per annum to all weavers / ancillary workers towards working capital and to meet out the financial requirements.
- 13,392 MUDRA loans were disbursed to the beneficiaries to the tune of Rs.65.70 crore.
- The Government have sanctioned and distributed additional funds of Rs.160.11 crore to weavers co-operative societies to settle the pending rebate claims.
- Effluent Treatment Plant Dyeing Units in Thanjavur, Karur, Virudhunagar and Erode Districts at a cost of Rs.6.96 crore.
- 406 Temporary employees who have been working in 246 Weavers Co-operative societies and receiving special time scale pay will be made permanent. Committee has been constituted by the Government, in which 400 Special Time Scale employees will be made permanent.
- A pay Commission will be setup to revise the pay scale of 1,033 permanent staff working in Weavers Co-operative Societies.
- "Weavers Grievance Redressal Cell" was formed in the commissionerate of Handlooms, Weavers are conveying their grievances and availing the facilities of Grievance Cell over phone, online and e-mail.
- An Electronic Jacquard Machines Service center at a cost of Rs.10 lakh has been set up and started functioning at the Weavers Training Center for the benefit of 22 Silk Handloom Weavers Co-operative Societies in Kancheepuram.
- The Hon'ble Chief Minister of Tamil Nadu has felicitated the prizes for best Handloom weavers for cotton and Silk categories and distributing certificates and Cheques at a cost of Rs.4.50 lakh.
- Three best exporters who have contributed significantly for export of Handloom Goods have been felicitated by the Hon'ble Chief Minister of Tamil Nadu.
- To reduce the interest burden on cash credit of the Weavers Co-operative Societies Interest Subsidy Rs.10.73 crore has been released.
- To improve the design skill of weavers design skill training has been provided to 300 weavers through weavers service centre.
- Silk pavadai sattai, linen sarees, organic kids wear, an exclusive children's garments as per the design input provided by the professional designers from NID, NIFT were introduced under "Tamil Thari" brand by Hon'ble Chief Minister of Tamil Nadu.
- Pure Zari Silk sarees purchased from Kancheepuram Co-optex a "Zari Authenticity Card" is introduced and attached on these products after testing the pure zari in the above silk saree varieties.
- An exclusive Organic Cotton kids wear for kids upto 2 years old ensuring high quality features like non–allergic to skin, breathability & softness, were introduced and sold through 5 Co-optex showrooms at Chennai.
- Rs. 2.10 crore value of silk varieties were sold in the Silk Festival held at Chennai and Salem.
- Training Programme has been conducted for 350 sales staff of Handloom Weavers co-operative Societies and co-optex by the Sardar Vallabhai Patel International School of Textiles and Management, Coimbatore, to improve sales efficiency.
- 12 % pay revision has been implemented to all permanent staff of six functioning mills. 75 employees working in the functioning Mills have been benefitted.
- Cocoon market has been inaugurated in Rasipuram, Namakkal District and 36.814 Metric Tonnes of cocoons have been transacted for a value of Rs.2.02 crore.

- The Hon'ble Chief Minister of Tamil Nadu has launched the sale of block printed Silk Sarees, soft cotton sarees (Muslin Sarees), bedsheets and bedspreads with new colour tones and designs in the name of "Aathirai Collections".
- The Hon'ble Chief Minister of Tamil Nadu has introduced a new bathing soap in 4 flavours namely Rose, Lavender, Sandal and Red Sandal under the name "Khadi Fragrance" using coconut oil based soap noodles.
- The "Khadi Honey" in new shaped glass bottles with eye-catching labels was introduced Rs.98.01 lakh worth of raw honey was processed and sold for Rs.1.37 crore.
- The Khadi Complex at Kandanur village Sivagangai District was renovated at a cost of Rs.45.80 lakh and 9 units namely Rural Textile Centre, Khadi Sub-centre, Leather Goods Production Unit, Carpentry and Blacksmithy Production Unit, Soap Unit, Palm leaf Products Unit, Foot mat Unit, Bamboo Basket Unit and Embroidery Unit have been inaugurated.
- On the eve of 7th National Handloom Day, Special Sales Campaigns have been conducted to promote the sale of Handloom goods and sales to the tune of Rs. 26.83 lakh was effected.
- 6 State Level Handloom Expos and 1 National Handloom Expos were sanctioned at a cost of Rs.117 lakh. 6 State Level Handloom Expos were conducted and sales to the tune of Rs.329.18 lakh was effected.
- Training given to 60 women who do not know spinning work, in a batch of 20 persons per month and the trainees are given employment after completion of training.
- A Mobile App called "tnkhadi" which work on Android and IOS platform has been launched to attract the younger generation in particular. Sale of Khadi Village Products to the tune of Rs.2.86 lakh has been achieved through online sale.
- To sell the village products in bulk to the people and thereby increasing the sales of the Board four licenses were issued to run as franchise.
- In order to make, available of Khadi, Village Industry Products and Palm Products to the general public then and there, Region/District wise Dealership for whole sale agents has been provided to 11 firms/ individuals, for those, who possess good experience and wide coverage in the marketing field.
- 164 Co-operative Societies are functioning under the control of the Tamil Nadu Khadi and Village Industries Board and production to the tune of Rs.15.18 crore and sale to the tune of Rs.20.84 crore were achieved.
- Under the Prime Minister's Employment Generation Programme (PMEGP), during the current year, Rs.22.54 crore has been released as margin money subsidy for 917 Industrial projects under this scheme. Employment has been created for 6,763 persons.
- 10,126 licenses were issued to Palmgur Artisans for tapping of Neera and to market it.
- The name of "KARPAGAM" meant for PDS shops run by Co-operative department and Tamil Nadu District Consumer Marketing Co-operative Wholesale Stores run by Tamil Nadu Civil Supplies Corporation 35.50 tonnes of Palm Jaggery to the tune of Rs.163.30 lakh was marketed.

Hon'ble Chief Minister inspected the rain affected areas and interacted with the public in Thoothukudi District on 02.12.2021

Hon'ble Chief Minister with kids resembling and dressed up in the costume of great poet Bharathi in Ettayapuram, T.P.M school at Thoothukudi District on 02.12.2021.

Health, Medical Education and Family Welfare

Hon'ble Minister for

Health & Family Welfare

Thiru. Ma.Subramanian

Directorate of Health Education

- The upgradation of 300 Bedded COVID Hospital was done in Government Peripheral Hospital, Periyar Nagar, Chennai, at a cost of Rs.6.52 crore.
- Advanced Robotic Surgery Centre was started at Tamil Nadu Government Multi Super Speciality Hospital, Omandurar Government Estate, Chennai at a cost of Rs. 34.60 crore.
- National Medical Commission was obtained for admission of 150 MBBS students each in the 7 New Government Medical colleges viz. Virudhunagar, The Nilgiris, Dindigul, Nagapattinam, Krishnagiri, Kallakurichi and Ariyalur and 100 MBBS students each in the 4 New Government Medical colleges viz Ramanathapuram, Tiruppur, Namakkal and Thiruvallur.
- Expediating the creation of infrastructure and man power by this Government led to admission of 1,450 MBBS students in the academic year.
- MBBS seats have been increased to 200 in Coimbatore Medical College.
- 146 Post Graduate (MD/MS) seats in 38 Specialities in 15 Government Medical Colleges and 21 Post Graduate

(Super Speciality) seats in 11 specialities in 6 Government Medical Colleges were created.

- ❖ Digital Display Board is being Displayed in the Entrance of all the Medical College Hospitals.
- ❖ Cancer Screening in the Geriatric inpatients admitted wards in all Government Medical College Hospitals has been done.
- ❖ The Government of India to implement 27% OBC reservation (Non-creamy layer) in the 15% AIQ UG seats and the 50% All India Quota seats (MBBS/BDS and MD/MS/MDS) (contributed by the State/UTs).
- ❖ Preferential reservation of 7.5% of Government Medical Seats for Students Studying in Government Schools. 437 MBBS and 107 BDS seats were allotted to the Government School Students. Revolving Fund has been created with Rs.16 crore to enable payment of all types of essential fees and hostel fees for the students.
- ❖ Isolation wards are functioning with all infrastructure needed for COVID Care. Special RTPCR Laboratories have been established in all Government Medical Institutions.
- ❖ For the Management of COVID Pandemic, in all Government Medical College Hospitals Post Covid Clinics are functioning with all infrastructure to cater to the COVID patient needs.
- ❖ Increase of M.Pharm PG seats in College of Pharmacy, Madurai Medical college, Madurai to 45 has been done.
- ❖ Emergency Care and Recovery Care will be extended to 22 Government Medical College Hospitals to rehabilitate wandering mentally ill patients.
- ❖ Special Counselling is provided by Mental Health Experts to children suffering from "Internet Addiction" disease in all Government Medical College Hospitals.
- ❖ Cognitive Rehabilitation Day Care Centres will be established in all Medical College Hospitals for Elderly and Mentally ill patients.
- ❖ Audiology tests will be done to identify deafness among newborn infants in Government Medical College Hospitals.
- ❖ A Pulmonary Rehabilitation centre will be established in Government Hospital of Thoracic Medicine, Tambaram.
- ❖ The Stem Cell Research Centre functioning in Government Stanley Medical College Hospital, Chennai will be upgraded as the Department of Regenerative Medicine and Research at a cost of Rs.2.44 crore.

- A Bed Sores Care Unit with 10 Special Beds will be established in all Government Medical College Hospitals for patients suffering from Bed Sores.
- Establishment of Multi Super Speciality Hospital in South Chennai was done at a cost of Rs. 230 crore.

Department of Medical and Rural Health Services

- A sum of Rs.18.56 crore to Commission the 70 PSA Plants to Various Government Medical Institutions/Government Hospitals.
- In the newly announced 6 Districts, posts of Joint Director of Health Services have been created.
- 250 Staff Nurses who were working on contract basis have been absorbed into regular time scale pay.
- Construction of MCH Wings in 6 District Government Hospitals at a total cost of Rs.41.34 crore.
- Construction of Eye OT wards with Operation Theatre in 5 District Government Hospitals at a total cost of Rs.3 crore.
- Establishment of Comprehensive Emergency Care Centres in Krishnagiri, Coimbatore, Salem and Ariyalur Government Hospitals, at a total cost of Rs.13.53 crore.
- Establishment of Hybrid High Dependency Unit (HHDU) in Two TAEI Centres at Harur and Tindivanam Government Hospitals at a cost of Rs.50 lakh.
- Under Pradhan Mantri Garib Kalyan Yojana a total amount of Rs.62 crore has been given to 101 Government frontline workers/23 Private frontline workers who were deceased during the COVID-19 pandemic.
- Construction of Additional Buildings in Ramanathapuram District, Government Hospital Paramakudi, Tiruppur District, Government Hospital Udumalpet, Dindigul District Government Hospital, Palani, Krishnagiri District Government Hospital Hosur, Nagapattinam District Government Hospital Vedaranyam, Kallakurichi District, Government Hospital Ulundurpet, Coimbatore District, Government Hospital Valparai, Tiruvarur District, Government Hospital, Tiruthuraipoondi, Thiruvallur District, Government Hospital, Poonamallee at a cost Rs.78.17 crore.
- Construction of DEIC building in Kancheepuram District, Government Headquarters Hospital Kancheepuram, Kallakurichi District, Government Headquarters Hospital Kallakurichi, Thirupathur District Government Hospital

Thirupathur, Tenkasi District Government Headquarters Hospital, Tenkasi, Ranipet District Government Headquarters Hospitals, Wallajahpet at a cost of Rs.5.70 crore.

Tamil Nadu Health System Reform Program

- Various schemes are being implemented in hospitals at a cost of Rs. 148.29 crore.

Tamil Nadu Urban Health Project

- 542 Covid-19 Ambulances, through which the total number of beneficiaries benefitted through the dedicated COVID-19 Ambulances are 6,30,549 in Tamil Nadu.
- Emergency ambulance fleet were increased to 1,353 benefitting 16,41,943 beneficiaries.
- An amount of Rs.15,000 as special allowance to the ambulance associates of those acted as Corona Warriors.
- Nammai Kaakkum - 48 has benefitted 30,086 persons.
- FHS & JSSK services operated by IRCS was handed over to GVKEMRI services.

104- Health Help Line Service

- During the II phase of COVID-19 Pandemic, 104 HHL has been integrated with Unified Command Centre at NHM (National Health Mission) to assist and support the enquiry relating to bed availability and O_2 Cylinder availability.
- Covid-19 calls of 6,57,737 beneficiaries were served.
- Handling suicidal prevention counselling for 1,10,971 NEET aspirants.
- Post-traumatic stress management counselling was given to 1,524 Indian students who had returned from Ukraine.
- MOU was signed between Sneha Suicide Prevention Centre and 104 health helpline.
- Under the Chief Minister Kalaignar Insurance Scheme, Insurance amount Rs.1 lakh per family for four years, 1.34 crore families covered and 3.43 lakh patients treated at a cost of Rs.873.81 crore.
- Under the Chief Minister's Comprehensive Health Insurance Scheme to become a beneficiary annual family income has been increased to Rs.1.20 lakh.
- 1,414 journalists and periodical journalists with renewed press identity card have been enrolled as beneficiaries under the Chief Minister's Comprehensive Health Insurance scheme without any income ceiling.
- 31,179 persons have been treated for COVID at a cost of Rs. 382.13 crore.
- 2,056 persons have been treated for Mucormycosis at a cost of Rs.5.94 crore.
- 32,23,064 persons have been tested for RT-PCR at a cost of Rs.182.64 crore.
- Under the Chief Minister comprehensive health insurance scheme, that of Testing fees was reduced to Rs.250, Pooled samples to Rs.75 and Non CMCHIS beneficiaries in private labs for testing fees to Rs.400 was reduced.
- 11,303 beneficiaries have been approved for these high end surgeries at a cost of Rs.905.02 crore from the Corpus Fund.
- Under the Innuyir Kappom - Nammai Kakkum 48 scheme, 39,542 persons were benefitted at a cost of Rs.34.74 crore.

Department of Public Health and Preventive Medicine

- State Emergency operation centre (SEOC) and 24x7 Emergency call centre have been established.
- At state and District level 24 hours war rooms have been created.
- 1,25,127 COVID beds are available readily.
- Additional 79,618 beds have been raised of which 26,126 are oxygen beds.
- 3,075 doctors, 5,362 nurses, 1,362 medical staff, 626 health inspectors and 5,828 health workers have been appointed to control the spread of the infection.
- Additionally, 8,720 Oxygen concentrators were augmented. State and District war rooms have been established to monitor the oxygen shortage.
- The volume of liquid oxygen storage depots has been increased to 1,513 MT.
- Syndromic surveillance program has been intensified.
- An additional of 501 Covid Care Centers (CCC) and 62 AYUSH corona care centers have been established.

- To test for the COVID-19 RT-PCR tests there are 335 Government and private RT-PCR laboratories.
- 222 PSA plants have been set up in Government Medical College Hospitals and District Health Quarters hospitals.
- Mega Vaccination camps have been conducted weekly.
- Under the Chief Minister's Comprehensive Medical Insurance Scheme, treatment facilities in private hospitals have been revised and in the insurance scheme, treatment in private hospitals has also been facilitated.
- Makkalai Thedi Maruthuvam has been implemented.
- 25,000 frontline workers are carrying out Mosquito Eradication work to prevent the spread of Dengue Fever.
- Currently undergoing measures to permanently eliminate the spread of Malaria by 2023.
- 90,84,732 were tested for Malaria and 772 of them were diagnosed with Malaria and given complete treatment.
- Tamil Nadu is spending Rs.9.62 crore towards Financial Assistance of Rs.1,000 per month to all Grade-IV Filaria patients and as on date 8,023 persons are the beneficiaries.
- 3.61 lakh persons given medical advice through '104' Health Helpline Service.
- Under National Health Mission funds, construction of outpatient wards at 29 Primary Health Centers, Staff Nurse and medical officer quarters at a cost of Rs.22.72 crore has been sanctioned.
- 2,02,304 camps were conducted by Hospital on Wheels from which 1,54,60,280 persons were benefited.
- National Health Mission has sanctioned a sum of Rs.70.02 crore for procurement of new 389 Mobile Medical Unit Vehicles to provide medical services to remote and hamlet villages.
- Under the Kalaignar's Varummun Kappom Thittam, Government Order was issued for conducting 1,155 camps in 385 blocks at a cost of Rs.3.85 crore.
- Under New Kalaignar's Varummun Kappom Thittam, 1,250 camps are to be conducted annually and the total funds allotted for this scheme is Rs.4.16 crore. 1188 camps were conducted benefitting 8,25,682 persons.
- Kalaignarin Varumun Kappom Thittam to Corporations for conducting additional 95 camps at the cost of Rs.31.68 lakh.
- Sanitary napkins are distributed to 5.07 lakh Post natal mothers delivered in the Government hospitals.
- The priceless belt type sanitary napkins are also provided to 3,000 Women Prison inmates and 1,900 Women as in patients in

the Institute of Mental Health have been benefitted under this scheme.

- Sanitary napkins procured at a cost of Rs.113.10 crore for 1,21,96,964 Beneficiaries.
- Under the Palli Sirar Kannoli Kappom Thittam (KKT), 1,55,909 School children were screened and arrangements were made for providing spectacles.
- The Amma Baby Care Kit contains 16 items and 3,82,881 delivered mothers have been benefited at a cost of Rs.50 crore.
- Awareness on the use of Iodine salt in households is being raised through ASHAs with a view to reduce the Iodine deficiency disorder in Tamil Nadu.
- Under the Rashtriya Bal Swasthya Karyakram (RBSK) scheme, children were screened and follow-up was done in 45,895 Government and Government Aided Schools and 51,829 Anganwadi Centres, 2,968 Children were identified and given the treatment.
- Under the Rashtriya Kishor Swasthya Karyakram (RKSK) scheme, 1,60,225 Adolescents were treated with Clinical Services and 1,43,907 Adolescents were given Counselling Services.
- For 4,321 divisions in the public health and preventive medicine various trainings have been given.
- 9.31 lakh Children / Infants are being covered under this UIP programme and the State is consistently achieving Immunization coverage of over 99%.
- Improvement of the State Full Immunization Coverage at 90.2%.
- The State had attained a "Polio Free Status" for the past 18 years.
- 27 Mega COVID Vaccination camps were being conducted and 4,00,34,268 vaccine doses have been provided.
- 10,83,07,173 people have been vaccinated against Corona. The first instalment was 93.72 per cent and second instalment was 79.12 per cent.
- 10,51,58,137 beneficiaries have been Vaccinated in both GCVC & PCVC.
- In Tamil Nadu, counselling was given for 4,395 persons to quit the tobacco usage through 5 Tobacco Cessation Centers.
- By conducting Awareness programs regarding the ill effects of Tobacco usage, 307 schools and 18 colleges was declared as Tobacco Free Educational Institutions (ToFEI).
- Training programs was conducted for 862 persons about the ill effects of Tobacco usage and Tobacco Control laws, through 8 training programs.
- Dr.Muthulakshmi Reddy Maternity Benefit Scheme (MRMBS) to Rs.18,000 was given to each beneficiary and Rs.957.87 crore has been allocated.
- Under the Universal Health Coverage scheme, The Government has provided permission to transform 1,384 Primary Health Centres (PHCs) and 460 Urban Primary Health Centres (PHCs) as Health and Wellness Centres (HWCs) and 2,448 Health Sub-Centres (HSCs) as Health and Wellness Centres (HWCs) for the year 2020-21 and 2,400 Health Sub-Centres (HSCs) as Health and Wellness Centres (HWCs) for the year 2021-2022.
- To engage 4,848 MLHPs and 2,448 MPHW (Male) / Health Inspector Grade-II on contract basis.
- 369 Hubs and 5,996 Spokes have provided services to 3,12,63,495 beneficiaries under E-Sanjeevani.
- Under MTM so far 44,24,011 beneficiaries have obtained first time services in addition to this 53,10,304 beneficiaries have obtained follow-up care services and totally 97,34,315 have been benefitted.
- The FC-XV has sanctioned health grant amounting to a sum of Rs.805.93 crore to the State of Tamil Nadu.

Indian Medicine and Homoeopathy Department

- A Data Cell attached to the Exclusive ISM Research & Development Lab of the Department of Indian Medicine was inaugurated.
- Supply of ISM Medicines for Hypertension and Diabetes to old patients at their

door steps under the 'Makkalai Thedi Maruthuvam Scheme'.

- 110 wings have been upgraded as AYUSH Wellness Centres and other ISM activities have been taken up at a cost of Rs.32 crore.
- A Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) for protection and preserving of endangered herbal plants was signed between State Medicinal Plant and Tamil Nadu Agricultural University.
- Generation of Solar Energy for the production factory of the Tampcol at a cost of Rs. 70 lakh.
- A Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) for Selling of Medicines of the Tampcol through Co-operative Societies and Khadi and Village Industries Board was signed.
- "Siddha Medical University" to be established for ISM at Arignar Anna Government Hospital of Indian Medicine annex Campus.

Tamil Nadu State Health Transport Department

- Unutilized 108 Ambulances have been allotted to other needy programmes to maintain a 'Common Pool of Health Department Vehicles'.
- 107 complaints received and resolved through HICORP.

National Health Mission - Tamil Nadu

- Tamil Nadu Population Health Registry and Health IT Platform has been established at a total cost of 6,60,09,980 beneficiaries have already been provided with Unique Health Identification (UHID).
- 188 Ambulances have been procured at a total cost of Rs.69.18 crore for strengthening the existing 108 Emergency Ambulance Service.
- 17 RT-PCR equipments have been installed to the needy Laboratories at a cost of Rs.5.10 crore.
- Whole Genome Sequencing (WGS) laboratory has been established at a cost of Rs.4 crore at State Public Health Lab, DMS Complex, Chennai.
- 10 Ultra sound machines have been procured at a cost of Rs.1.10 crore and provided to 10 Urban Primary Health Centres.
- Spirometers have been procured at a cost of Rs.56.62 lakh and supplied to 38 Government Hospitals to assess the Lung function.
- Immunization services for Antenatal Mother and Children have been strengthened via SMS alert.
- Uninterrupted Maternal and Child Health (MCH) services were provided during COVID Pandemic.
- Uninterrupted Management and Follow up of High Risk Pregnancy during COVID Pandemic.
- Mentoring services for High Risk Antenatal Mothers'.
- Tamil Nadu is the first state to recommend and implement COVID vaccination for Antenatal Mothers in addition to Vaccination for Lactating Mothers.
- Establishment of SNCU in Pudurnadu Block PHC, Tirupattur District for Tribal people.
- Establishment of extramural SNCU (eSNCU) in Government Rajaji Hospital, Madurai and Government Rajamirasudar Hospital, Thanjavur.
- Under the Fifteenth Finance Commission Grants for health Rs. 4,280 crore has been approved for Tamil Nadu for a period of 5 years from FY 2021-2022 to FY 2025-2026.
- Under PM Ayushman Bharat Health Infrastructure Mission, Rs.116.30 crore has been approved to Strengthen the Public Healthcare Infrastructure.
- The Union Government has approved Rs.799 crore as additional resources for the Emergency COVID-19 Response Preparedness Package-II (ECRP-II) out of which Rs.319.6 crore is the 40% share contributed by the State.
- Under the Universal Health Coverage (UHC) program, 4,848 Mid-Level Health Providers (MLHPs) and 2,448 Multipurpose

Health Worker (MPHW) male / Health Inspector (HI) grade II were recruited.

- ❖ 389 Mobile Medical Unit vehicles at a cost of Rs.70 crore have been provided for facilitating uninterrupted medical services to inaccessible areas.
- ❖ The State successfully operationalizes more than 7,000 Health and Wellness Centers (HWC).
- ❖ The State has received Rs.100 crore as Grants-in-aid under Ayushman Bharat-Health and Wellness Centers.
- ❖ Single Nodal Account (SNA) has been opened at the National Health Mission – Tamil Nadu and 3,053 Subsidiary Accounts have been opened for all the Implementing Agencies and funds are being released.
- ❖ 29 Medical officers in LSAS and 7 Medical officers in Emoc have undergone Medical Officers are trained in Life Saving Anesthetic Skills (LSAS) and Emergency Maternal and Obstetric Care training programme.
- ❖ The National Health Mission Tamil Nadu organized a Workshop to combat Health impacts due to Climate Changes in Tamil Nadu.
- ❖ Stress management tele-counselling services through 104 HHL (Health Help Line) Counselling services were delivered for 1,10,971 students who have took the NEET exams.
- ❖ "Muthiyor Mananalam" program launched to cater the Mental Health needs of elderly population for which MOU was signed with SCARF NGO.
- ❖ MOU was signed with SNEHA NGO,"Training for counselling on suicide prevention" and training is being imparted to 104 Health Helpline Psychologists.
- ❖ In Chennai, Tondiarpet, Emergency Care and Recovery Centre, to serve the wandering homeless mentally ill with psychiatric and physical health services and also to reunite them with their families.
- ❖ 7,823 employees working in NHM-TN were converted from the outsourcing mode of appointment to Contract mode.
- ❖ 30% of Salary hike has been provided to 28,110 contract staff of Health Department inclusive of Staff Nurses at a cost of Rs.89.82 crore.
- ❖ The performance of 30,164 contractual staff were appraised.
- ❖ Tamil Nadu has been awarded in the National summit for best practice and innovations by the Union Government for effective management of High risk pregnant Mothers during COVID pandemic.
- ❖ Tamil Nadu stands the first state in recommending and implementing COVID vaccination for Antenatal Mothers. So far, 1,30,652 Antenatal Mothers and 5,13,190

lactating mothers have been vaccinated against Covid-19.

- During the second wave of Covid-19 infection, Covid-19 War Room / Unified Command Centre (UCC) was established and 72,300 calls were received for various requirements out of which 14,563 calls were responded with due bed arrangements.
- The National Urban Health Mission (NUHM) has upgraded 23 Urban Primary Health Centres (UPHCs) to Urban Community Health Centres (UCHCs) having capacity of 30 beds each at a cost of Rs.1.50 crore.
- The Rural Primary Health Centres viz. Sholaiyar Nagar, Mudees Nagar in Valparai Municipality and Thachanallur in Tirunelveli Corporation functioning in Rural area were upgraded as Urban Primary Health Centres.
- The Tamil Nadu Accident and Emergency Initiative (TAEI) has brought down accidents by 11.12% and fatalities due to accidents by 17.75% when compared with previous year's percentage of accidents.
- Maternal and Child Health Wing buildings in four Government Hospitals, Multi-Disciplinary Critical Care Units in three Government Hospitals and New buildings to three PHCs were constructed under National Health Mission.
- As an outcome of Sub National Certification for TB disease free status survey, Nilgiris district of Tamil Nadu was awarded silver for 40% reduction of TB disease burden and 6 districts such as Karur, Kanniyakumari, Namakkal, Nagapattinam, Sivagangai, Villupuram were awarded Bronze for 20% reduction in TB disease burden.
- Tamil Nadu has won Two Awards for having undertaken 22 highest number of 29,88,110 NCD screenings in the country and conducted the third highest number of 85,514 wellness sessions.

Drugs control

- Total 56,750 Drug inspections were carried out. 1,042 licenses for manufacturing Units, 328 Blood Banks, 537 Blood Storage Centres, 52,849 Sales Licenses are given.
- 4 whole sale licenses and 17 Retail licenses were suspended for the noncompliance of Drugs and cosmetics Act, 1940.

Tamil Nadu Food Safety and Drug Administration Department

- The Food Safety and Standards Act, 2006 is being implemented in whole of the country with effect from 05.08.2011.
- Till now, 1,03,897 License, 4,28,686 registrations were given and Rs.187 crore License and Registration fee was collected.
- 2,790 Awareness Programme is being given to FBOs and common public in order to protect themselves from adulterated food, unsafe food items and other exploitation and 1.87 lakh Persons participated.
- Inspections are being carried out in all the relevant places, such as manufacturing, storage and selling units by the competent authorities like Designated Officers / Food Safety Officers and 12,815 Samples are being analyzed.
- 91.7 tonnes tobacco and Nicotine seized.
- Complaint redress mechanism through dedicated Whatsapp mobile number (9444042322) is in force in the State of Tamil Nadu. It is appreciated as a best practice by the FSSAI.
- 2,423 Hotels and Restaurants are certified under "Hygiene Rating" Scheme by conducting preauditing, Training and Post auditing process.
- Clean Street Food Hub is one of the programme of Eat Right India activity in Eat Right Challenging. It is covered in Street Food vendor Hygienic and FSSAI provided them for Training and Instruction for adopting Private agencies to improve Street Food vendors.
- FSSAI evaluated the functioning of State Food Safety Department through State Food Safety Index (SFSI). It is evaluated by awarding mark under various categories. Tamil Nadu has been awarded Third best performing State for the year 2020 – 2021.

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Commercial Taxes, Registration and Stamp Act, Weights and Measures, Debt Relief including legislation on Money lending, Chits and Registration of Companies

Hon'ble Minister for Commercial Taxes and Registration

Thiru. P. Moorthy

COMMERCIAL TAXES

- Commercial Taxes Department has collected a gross revenue of Rs.1,04,970 crore.
- Online registration Service (https://www.tn.gov.in/tntwb/tamil) for traders to become a member of the Tamil Nadu Traders Welfare Board.
- Small traders and tiny traders who are registered under the GST Act but with a taxable turnover of less than Rs. 40 lakh, who are not registered under the GST Act are exempted from paying the registration fee of Rs.500 for becoming member for a period of eight months. Using this facility, a total of 36,952 dealers have joined as members of the Traders Welfare Board.
- Among the welfare schemes provided by Tamil Nadu Traders welfare Board, additionally marriage assistance of Rs.10,000 and accident relief assistance of Rs. 25,000 are also being given.

- The rate of tax on petrol was reduced by Rs.3 per litre.
- In order to sortout the grievances of traders, Interaction meetings were held with traders and trade associations in all the zones namely Madurai, Tirunelveli, Chennai, Vellore, Coimbatore, Salem and Tiruchirappalli.
- The rate of tax on goods with HSN in Tamil has been released.
- The service delivery for the taxpayers and exporters has been improved through which their refunds will be effected on time.
- System aided scrutiny of returns has been implemented by integrating analytical tools.Through this scrutiny, the evasion by the taxpayers, bill traders, etc., is identified and appropriate actions are being initiated.
- Construction of own buildings for Commercial Taxes Department offices operating in rented premises at Polur, Pudukottai, Thuraiyur, Attur, Gopichettipalayam and Satyamangalam.
- Providing more staff for field work in the commercial taxes Department.
- New administrative divisions at seven places namely Tiruvallur, Chengalpattu, Cuddalore, Tiruvarur, Hosur, Tiruppur and Virudhunagar are to be set up.
- New intelligence divisions at six locations in Chengalpattu, Cuddalore, Thiruvarur, Hosur, Tiruppur and Virudhunagar are to be set up to strengthen the intelligence and audit activities of the Department.
- The offices of the Department are to be restructured so that there is a Commercial tax district parallel to each revenue district.
- The number of roving squads have been increased from 53 to 100 to improve the functions of the Commercial Taxes Department and for roving squads, 100 vehicles, have been provided with radio frequency identification technology portable equipment at an estimated cost of Rs.16.54 crore.
- State Control Room is to be set up at a cost of Rs.1.75 crore to expedite the work of Roving squads of the Commercial Taxes Department.
- To monitor the monthly filing of tax returns, new help desks with 40 employees are to be set up at a cost of Rs.5.17 crore.

REGISTRATION DEPARTMENT

- Highest total revenue earned by the department is Rs.13,913.65 crore and 29,98,048 documents were registered.
- To bring clean administration in Registration Department, a Control room was inaugurated.
- Grievances Redressal Camp is being held on every Monday in the Offices of the Deputy Inspector General of Registration.
- The dais and handrails surrounding the Registering Officers have been removed to bring about transparency in the administration and to facilitate the registrant public to approach the Registering Officers easily without any hesitation thereby ensuring social justice.
- Creation of 5 new Registration Districts Viz., Thiruvarur, Thiruvallur, Thirupathur, Ranipet and Perambalur has been done.
- To inquire into the irregularities committed during the previous years in the registration of documents, a Special Investigation Team is to be formed.
- Implementation of the Document Writers Welfare Fund has been done.
- Government Orders were issued authorising the Deputy Inspector General of Registration of concerned Zones to issue true copies of Christian Marriages Extracts.
- With the STAR 2.0 Software, for property not involving subdivision and Patta that prevail in the name of the vendor, the patta transfer takes place automatically.
- To facilitate the senior citizens and disabled persons visiting the Sub Registrar office, a

lift facility to be provided wherever such offices function on the first floor or in multi-storeyed buildings or to shift the offices to the ground floor.

- ❖ Any petitioner aggrieved by the orders of the District Registrar can prefer an appeal to the DIG concerned.
- ❖ When the new Government took over, a Bill was passed in the Assembly, wherein the District Registrar was empowered to cancel the registration of documents, which were declared fraudulent. The Bill has been sent to the President of India for his assent.
- ❖ A High-level committee is to be constituted to study the on-ground situation and make recommendations on the mechanism of fixation of Guideline Value.
- ❖ Rs.2.45 crore have been sanctioned for the purchase of Token Display Units to display the name of the document holder in all the 575 sub-registrar offices.
- ❖ Digitization of Schedule-II Records for the period from 01.01.1950 to 31.12.1974 at a cost of Rs.24.57 crore for viewing the Encumbrance Certificate has been sanctioned online by the general public.
- ❖ Administrative approval has been accorded for reorganizing the jurisdiction of Sub Registrar offices.
- ❖ Rs.5.98 crore have been sanctioned for procurement of two more IP Cameras for fixing in the record room of each Sub Registrar office.
- ❖ To provide consistent and transparent administration orders have been issued classifying the sub-registrar offices as 'A', 'B' and 'C' type offices on the basis of perspective.

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"Having been chosen as Chief Minister by all of you,
I will fulfill all your needs by being a head volunteer."

- Hon'ble Chief Minister of Tamil Nadu

Thiru. M.K. Stalin

The Hon'ble Chief Minister made Public awareness of COVID prevention in the areas under the Greater Chennai Corporation on 04.01.2022

Transport, Nationalised Transport and Motor Vehicles Act

Hon'ble Minister for Transport

Thiru. S.S.Sivasankar

TRANSPORT DEPARTMENT

- Free travel scheme for all women in local town buses.
- All women can travel free of charge and without a bus pass in ordinary fare town buses of all State Transport Undertaking buses in Tamil Nadu.
- The third gender persons are permitted to travel in ordinary town buses of all Tamil Nadu State Transport Undertakings, under the Free travel scheme.
- Persons with a disability of 40 % and above are allowed to travel in buses with their escorts free of cost.
- 7,321 ordinary city buses are operated for free travel of women in the State. About 36.26 lakh women travel daily in buses.

- An average of 26,019 persons with disability along with escorts and 1,318 third gender persons travel on buses per day. 105.51 crore trips were made by women, 6.1384 lakh trips by third genders and 79.54 lakh trips by persons with disability and their escorts.
- A sum of Rs.1,216.83 crore has been allocated by the Government for the free travel of women and Rs.1.21 crore for third gender travel in the Government buses in 2021-2022 and a sum of Rs. 1,520 crore has been allocated for the year 2022-2023 in the Budget.
- Installation of CCTV surveillance cameras on all buses through the Government of India's "Nirbhaya" scheme to ensure the safety of women travelling on buses. The "Locate and Access My Bus" app is designed to make it easier for the public to know the bus routes through their mobile phones. 2,500 buses and 66 bus depots/bus stands, as well as building for the Central Control Centre, 99 buses and 18 bus depots/ bus stations are being monitored in the pilot run underway.
- A sum of Rs.497.32 crore as terminal benefits to 2,457 retired employees of State Transport Undertakings.
- The Government have also provided Rs.1,014.63 crore to the State Transport Undertakings as a subsidy to offset the increase in diesel cost from 2021- 2022. Further, a sum of Rs.1,300 crore has been allocated as a subsidy in the Revised Estimate 2022-2023.
- To make Metropolitan Transport Corporation (Chennai) Ltd., a world-class transportation company with the financial assistance of the World Bank, a Consultant has been appointed to prepare a business plan and the work is in progress.
- The Tamil Nadu Infrastructure Development Board has appointed Consultants for the modernization of 16 bus depots/bus stands of the Metropolitan Transport Corporation (Chennai) Ltd., for commercial development and works are in progress.
- The Government has provided Rs.1,289.07 crore as student free travel concession to the Tamil Nadu State Transport Corporations for the year 2021-2022. Also, Rs.928 crore for the year 2022-2023.
- Bus services were provided on 122 new routes with 152 buses currently in operation.
- Of the 328 routes already closed before 07.05.2021, 394 buses resumed bus service.
- In Chennai, 12 small buses are operating on 6 routes connecting the Metro Rail Stations with other areas.
- Thiruvalluvar Picture and Thirukkural were fitted with a new look on all the buses operated by the State Transport Undertakings.
- The Government has provided Rs.424.47 crore as share capital assistance to the Tamil Nadu Transport Development Finance Corporation.
- Employees were vaccinated with the Covid-19 vaccine with the first dose of 97.53 % and a second dose of 93.39% for the age group between 18 and 45 years. In respect of persons over 45 years of age, the percentages were 98.19% and 94.33% respectively.
- Procurement of 2,213 BS-VI diesel buses and 500 electric buses for Tamil Nadu.
- Establishment of Petrol / Diesel Retail outlets at 10 locations owned by State Transport Undertakings for generation of additional revenue.
- Installation of Solar Panels on the roofs of the Buildings of the State Transport Undertakings.

MOTOR VEHICLES ACT REGIONAL TRANSPORT OFFICE

- Construction of own building for Motor Vehicle Inspector Office (Unit Office),

Tiruthani, Thiruvallur District is to be done at a cost of Rs.2.42 crore.

- ❖ Construction of own building for the Regional Transport Office, Madurai (South) is to be done at a cost of Rs.3.78 crore.
- ❖ Construction of own building for the Regional Transport Office, Coimbatore (North) is to be done at a cost of Rs.4.38 crore.

“Innuyir Kappom Thittam” (IKT)

- ❖ Various Road Safety initiatives in Tamil Nadu are to be implemented under the scheme “Innuyir Kappom Thittam” (IKT).
- ❖ A special task force on Road Safety was formed.
- ❖ ‘Seerana Salaigal’ i.e., Fatality Accident Incident Reduction (FAIR) in roads, initiative will be launched to address road engineering and to develop scientific and innovative enforcement strategies to achieve accident-free Tamil Nadu.

“Nammai Kakkum 48”

- ❖ A special scheme named by the Department of Health and Family Welfare “Nammai Kakkum 48” under IKT to provide free emergency medical care during the first 48 hours of an accident has been launched.

‘Innuyir Kaappom - Udhavi Sei Thittam’

- ❖ A new scheme named ‘Innuyir Kaappom - Udhavi Sei Thittam’has also been proposed to launch for Road Safety information, education and communication campaign.

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Hon'ble Chief Minister inspected the Institute of Child Health and Hospital for Children, Egmore on 20.06.2021.

Hon'ble Chief Minister inspected the Sengadu Panchayat Office, Chengalpattu District on 24.04.2022.

Hindu Religious and Charitable Endowments

Hon'ble Minister for Hindu Religious and Charitable Endowments

Thiru. P.K. Sekarbabu

HINDU RELIGIOUS AND CHARITABLE ENDOWMENTS

- To alleviate the suffering of the poor and hunger-stricken people during the pandemic 44 lakh of food packets have been distributed in all Districts.
- An online portal for the devotees to register their complaints was inaugurated and action has been taken within 30 days on the complaints registered there.
- 'A Call Center' has been inaugurated for the public to record their grievances through telephone. Immediate action is being taken to rectify the defects.
- Distribution of Rs. 4,000 as financial assistance and a hamper containing 10 kilos of rice and 15 items of groceries were done to the Poosaries, Archakas and Bhattachariars working in temples under the control of the Hindu Religious and Charitable Endowments Department. 11,065 employees were benefitted.
- In the first phase land documents belonging to Religious Institutions under the control of the temple

were uploaded on the Hindu Religious and Charitable Endowments Department website. Details of 3,43,647 acres of land have been tallied with the documents of 'A' Register, Town Survey Register and Chitta were uploaded on the website.

- Encroachments on lands, buildings, and hilling sites belonging to Religious Institutions worth Rs.2,344.44 crore have been recovered. Encroachments on 753.02 acres of land, 513 grounds 544 sq.ft. of sites and 34 grounds, 2,285 sq.ft. buildings and 46 grounds and 2,077 Sq.ft. area of tank bund has been recovered.
- Kancheepuram Arulmigu Egambaranadhar temple on which Seetha Kingston House Matriculation Higher Secondary School was earlier functioning was taken possession. The School has been renamed as Kancheepuram Arulmigu Egambaranadhar Higher Secondary School.
- To facilitate easy management of UzhavaraPani or temple cleaning, an online facility to take up UzhavaraPani has begin functioning in 47 senior grade temples.
- The facility of "Annai Tamizhil Archanai" has been brought to Mylapore Arulmigu Kapaleeshwarar temple. This system will be implemented in 47 Temples.
- 74,565 saplings have been planted on the premises of 3,118 temples, under the Kalaignar Thala Marakandru planting Scheme'.
- 12 Pottri books of the hymns praising the God, have been provided to 47 senior grade temples to enable them to perform Archanai in Tamil.
- Appointment orders have been given to 208 persons, including 24 Archakas who have successfully undergone training courses under the scheme 'Persons belonging to All castes can become Archakas'.
- To priests, who are under the "One Kala Puja" scheme. Rs.1,000 monthly incentive is being paid to 9,982 priests working in 12,959 temples every month.
- The day-long "Annadhanam scheme" has been extended to Samayapuram, Tiruttani and Tiruchendur Temples. 15,890 devotees are being benefitted, per day.
- A monthly incentive of Rs. 5,000 to workers who perform tonsuring service to devotees in the temples was inaugurated. 1,744 tonsuring workers have benefitted at a cost of Rs.10.47 crore.
- Inaugurated the preliminary work of converting the unused gold offered by the devotees in the temples to 24 Carat gold bars at Arulmigu Karumariamman Temple, Thiruverkadu, Arulmigu Mariamman Temple, Samayapuram and Arulmigu Mariamman Temple, Irukkankudi.
- Irukkankudi Mariamman Temple to melt, purify the gold offerings, convert to gold bars and deposit them in the bank.

- Appointment orders have been given to 9 Assistant Professors, one librarian, and one physical instructor, for the newly started Arulmigu Kapaleeshwarar Arts and Science College. 216 students are studying in that institution now.

- The upgraded Oduvar Training School situated at Madurai and Thiruvannamalai were inaugurated.

- Arulmigu Ekambaranathar Matriculation Higher Secondary School, which is managed by Arulmigu Ekambareswarar Temple, Kancheepuram, was inaugurated and Uniform, school bags and other related things were distributed to ‘857’ students.

- Newly established Arulmigu, Kapaleeshwarar Arts and Science College was inaugurated at Kolathur and distributed free study materials to the students.

- A Government one time grant of Rs.130 crore was released by the Government and at a cost of Rs.129.59 crore was given to Tamil Nadu Power Finance and infrastructure development corporation under the Oru Kala Pooja scheme for enabling sufficient funds for Pooja performance in the temples.

- 3 new Colleges were inaugurated namely, Arulmigu Subramaniya Swamy Arts and Science College at Villathikulam, Arulmigu Arthanareeswarar Arts and Science College at Thiruchengode and Arulmigu Palaniandavar Arts College for Women at Ottanchathiram. 313 students are studying now.

- Differently-abled persons perform their marriages free of cost in the temples and the temple owned marriage Halls and the couples are blessed with gift articles.

- An enhanced monthly stipend of Rs. 3,000 per month to 18 students who undergo training in Vedhaparayana Training school run by Arulmigu Dhandayuthabani Swamy Temple, Palani and Arulmigu Kapaleeshwarar Temple, Mylapore, to 24 students who undergo training in odhuvar training school run by Arulmigu Meenakshi Sundareswarar Temple, Madurai and Arulmigu Arunachaleswarar Temple, Thiruvannamalai and to 25 students who undergo training in the Nadaswaram / Thavil school run by Arulmigu Dhandayuthapani Swamy Temple, Palani, By this, totally 67 students get benefitted.

- Enhanced amount of Rs.6 crore given to Kanniyakumari District Temples administration and Rs.3 crore to Pudukkottai Devasthanams.

- The medical centre provided with oxygen cylinders, BP apparatus, beds, life-saving medicines and other facilities in Arulmigu Dhandayuthabani Swamy Temple, Palani and first aid medical centres in Arulmighu Subramaniya Swamy Temple Tiruchendur, Arulmigu Arunachaleswarar Temple Thiruvannamalai, Arulmigu Angalaparameswari Temple, Arulmigu

Subramaniya Swamy Temple, Melmalayanur, Lakshmi Narasimha swami Temple Sholingar, Maruthamalai Arulmigu Subramaniya Swamy Temple, Tiruttani with adequate Doctors and paramedical staff. An expenditure of Rs.30 lakh each and a total of Rs. 2.10 crore will be incurred from the temple fund.

- Distributed new dresses to Archakas and Uniforms to Temple Staff to commemorate the occasion of Tamizhar Thirunal of Thai by this and 15,511 temple staff get benefitted.
- Increasing the exgratia for this Pongal festival to Rs.2,000 for the temple staff was ordered.
- New Drinking Water Scheme, the New Dining hall for Annadhanam, the elevator arrangement in the upper rope car and the new Bell Tower constructed at Arulmigu Dhandayudhabani Swamy Temple, Palani in Dindigul District at an estimated cost of Rs.23.81 crore were inaugurated.
- The meeting of the Advisory Committee chaired by the Hon'ble Chief Minister of Tamil Nadu repairing temples for devotees was held.
- The Control Room in the O/o Commissioner, Hindu Religious and Endowment Department for supervising the daily activities through the CCTV cameras installed in the Senior Grade Temples was inaugurated.
- 314 temples of Tamil Nadu had received the BHOG Certificate issued by the Food safety and standard authority of India.
- Kumbabishekam was performed for 81 temples.
- 72 vehicles worth Rs.5.54 crore to the officers of Hindu Religious and Endowment Department.
- The Scheme of producing Holy Ash and Kumkum in 8 temples and distribution of the same to other temples was inaugrated.
- The Scheme of collection of fees for 225 services on payment through online by 550 temples was inaugurated.
- The Scheme of distribution of prasadham in 10 temples including temple at Madurai, Palani, Thiruchendur and Srirangam was inaugurated.
- Construction of additional modern building with latest amenities at a cost of Rs.15 crore in Hindu Religious and Endowment Department.
- Employees who got regularisation orders to 33 daily wage/consolidated pay, employees.

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Finance, Planning, Human Resources Management, Pensions and Pensionary benefits

Hon'ble Minister for Finance and Human Resources Management Department

Dr. Palanivel Thiaga Rajan

Chief Minister's Public Relief Fund

A sum of Rs.547.74 crore has been received as donations for combating Corona (Covid-19) Virus.

Relief / financial assistance has been sanctioned for Covid-19 and various Non-Covid-19 below:

- A sum of Rs.260 crore has been sanctioned to Government Hospitals during Covid-19 Second Wave, and precautionary measures related to Covid-19 third wave.
- A sum of Rs.25 crore has been sanctioned towards the purchase of Amphotericin and all other lifesaving medicines for the treatment of 'Black Fungus'.
- A sum of Rs.9.2 lakh has been sanctioned to procure feed for the unattended stray animals on the road, during the Covid-19 lockdown period.
- A sum of Rs.15.75 crore has been sanctioned to deposit at the rate of Rs.5 lakh in the name of 315 children who have lost both of their parents due to Covid-19.
- Relief assistance for a sum of Rs.274.41 crore has been sanctioned at the rate of Rs.3 lakh to the 9,147 children who have lost any one of their parents due to Covid-19.

- Relief assistance for a sum of Rs.1.60 crore has been sanctioned at the rate of Rs.10 lakh to the 16 families of News Reporters and Journalists who died due to Covid-19.
- Relief assistance for a sum of Rs.86.50 crore has been sanctioned at the rate of Rs.25 lakh to the 346 families of frontline workers.
- Relief assistance for a sum of Rs.70 lakh has been sanctioned at the rate of Rs.5 lakh for the 14 families of Government employees who died due to an accident while engaged on Covid-19 duty and temporary frontline contract workers who died due to Covid-19.
- Relief assistance for a sum of Rs.4.65 crore has been sanctioned to the 409 families of persons, who died/were injured due to various unexpected incidents.
- Relief assistance for a sum of Rs.26.01 crore has been sanctioned as a special case to the 830 individuals/families / who were injured due to various reasons.

Integrated Finance and Human Resources Management System (IFHRMS)

- The remittances can be made 24x7 by using (www.karuvoolam.tn.gov.in) online facilities.
- The Registration Department and Transport Department will be integrated.
- The award for "Exemplary Application of Technology Award - 2021" was awarded by the CII CONNECT to the Department of Treasuries and Accounts.

Integrated Finance Complex named as Perasiriyar Thiru. Ka. Anbazhagan Maaligai

- A statue of former Finance Minister Thiru. Ka. Anbazhagan was inaugurated on the ground floor of the integrated office Complex for the Finance Department and named the building as "Perasiriyar Thiru. Ka.Anbazhagan Maaligai" to commemorate the start of his centenary birth anniversary.

Installation of (CCTV) Cameras in Treasury Offices

- The Government has sanctioned a sum of Rs.1.22 crore towards the procurement of 390 CCTV Cameras with a storage facility in 6 Pay and Accounts offices, 2 Sub Pay and Accounts offices & 32 District Treasury offices across Tamil Nadu through ELCOT.

New Health Insurance Scheme for Government Employees

- The New Health Insurance Scheme for Government Employees has been extended for another four years.
- New Health Insurance Scheme aims to provide health care assistance to the employees of Government Departments, Local Bodies, Public Sector Undertakings, Statutory Boards and State Government Universities, Willing State Government Organizations /Institutions and their eligible family members with provision to avail cashless medical assistance up to Rs.5 lakh.
- Under the scheme, the medical assistance has been enhanced to a maximum limit of Rs.10 lakh for some specified diseases/ treatments.
- COVID-19 treatment is included under the specified illness list for availing cashless treatment up to Rs.10 lakh.
- In the New Health Insurance Scheme for Employees, 54,641 beneficiaries have availed medical assistance to the tune of Rs.232.01 crore.

District Collectors Pensioners' Grievances Day Meeting

- 17 Pensioners Grievance meetings were held in Districts. All the 632 grievance petitions received from pensioners from the Districts during the above period were settled.

Pension Adalat

- Pension Adalat has been constituted by the Tamil Nadu Legal Services Authority at High Court Complex, with effect from 22.02.2002. The Government formed a Committee consisting of the Director of Pension, officers from concerned

Departments in the Secretariat, Heads of Departments and a representative of the Accountant-General to execute directions and follow up action on the Pension Adalat upon settlement of Pensioners' grievances put forth before the authority.

Family Security Fund for Government Employees

- The lump sum grant under the Family Security Fund payable in the case of Government Employees who die while in service has been enhanced from Rs.3 lakh to Rs.5 lakh, benefits were extended under the Group Insurance Scheme to the employees of the Local Bodies, Aided Schools, Aided Colleges, Aided Technical Education Institutions etc.,

Pensioners' Family Security Fund Scheme

- Under the Pensioners' Family Security Fund Scheme.In the case of the death of the Pensioner after one month of contribution to the fund, an enhanced sum of Rs.50,000 is paid to the eligible family members or nominees of the pensioners.
- As Interest-free advance was given to settle the pending applications under the Tamil Nadu Government Pensioner's Family Security Fund scheme, to settle the financial assistance claims received from 5,003 beneficiaries.
- Under this Scheme, 29,318 Family Security Fund claims were received and 18,925 families have benefitted and a sum of Rs.94.39 crore has been disbursed to the members of the families of deceased pensioners.
- Under the Government of Tamil Nadu Industrial Employees Contributory Provident Fund scheme, 279 beneficiaries have benefited and a sum of Rs.3.20 crore has been disbursed to the members.
- Under the Tamil Nadu Social Security scheme, Rs.2.99 lakh were paid to the 64 pensioners as pension and consolidated payment.

Local Fund Audit Department

- Out of 4,073 auditable institutions like Local Bodies, Universities, District Library Authorities and Market committees, the audit for the year 2020-2021 has been completed.
- 30,518 pensioners are receiving monthly pensions through four nationalized banks.
- The Health Fund Scheme and Family Security Fund scheme for both Municipal pensioners and Panchayat Union pensioners are administered by the Director of Local Fund Audit.
- 105 claims were settled and Rs.46.31 lakh were sanctioned under the Pensioners' Health Fund Scheme and 239 claims were settled and Rs.1.06 crore were sanctioned under Family Security Fund Scheme.
- 167 claims were settled and Rs.76.35 lakh were sanctioned under the pensioners' Health Fund Scheme and 392 claims were settled and Rs.1.73 crore were sanctioned under Family Security Fund Scheme.
- A sum of Rs.18 crore was sanctioned and the entire allotment has been utilized for sanction of interest claims to the Local Bodies.
- A sum of Rs.45.99 lakh has been distributed to 342 Endowment institutions towards the award of scholarships, prizes, medals etc.,
- Contributory Pension Scheme accounts for 308 Panchayat Unions have been audited for the year 2020-2021.
- Data uploaded by 14 Corporations. 121 Municipalities and 528 Town Panchayats were verified and approved by the audit Department.
- A sum of Rs.12.27 crore has been recovered on account of the settlement of 27,928 audit objections relating to Town Panchayats, Municipalities, Corporations, Universities and other miscellaneous institutions.
- To enhance the quality of the audit, Refresher Training has been given to all the auditors.

- ❖ Audit information management for the Local Fund Audit Department.
- ❖ As per ELCOT guidelines, AIMS application data has been moved to enhance the Tamil Nadu State Data Center (TNSDC) server.

State Government Audit Department

- ❖ This Department has completed the audit of 3,22,276 Noon Meal Centres and 1,554 Miscellaneous institutions.
- ❖ Rs.7.84 crore were recovered from 6,055 audit paras and were remitted to the Government Account.

SMALL SAVINGS DEPARTMENT

- ❖ There is a considerable increase in Collection in Post Office Savings Bank Account Scheme, Post Office Monthly Income Scheme, Post Office Recurring Deposit Scheme and Senior Citizen Savings Scheme.

World Thrift Day Celebrations

- ❖ World Thrift Day is being celebrated to sensitize the need for Small Savings. Competitions are being conducted among the students.

Audit for Milk Co-operatives Department

- ❖ Audit completed in all the 10 Units of Federation and Audit certificates issued.

Special Reports

- ❖ Serious irregularities/lapses were detected for Rs.120.76 crore in 9 units of Tamil Nadu Milk Producers Federation for the Audit year 2019-2020.
- ❖ Serious irregularities/lapses detected for Rs.6.19 crore in 829 Primary Milk Producers Cooperative Societies were sent through special reports to the Administrative Department for further action.

Hindu Religious and Charitable Endowment (Audit Wing)

- ❖ The audit wing was separated from the Hindu Religious and Charitable Endowments Department and a new Department was created, under the administrative control of the Finance Department.

Tamil Nadu Infrastructure Development Board

Chennai City Partnership

- ❖ Chennai City Partnership is proposed as a unique model of development to ensure the continued sustainable growth of metropolitan Chennai.

Chennai City Partnership – Sustainable Urban Services Program - Phase 1

- ❖ Health, sanitation, mobility, water and sewerage and incentivize key service

agencies to achieve tangible improvements in service delivery.

- The overall coordination of the program will rest with the Tamil Nadu Infrastructure Development Board (TNIDB) under the Finance Department, Government of Tamil Nadu.
- The Government of Tamil Nadu has accorded revised in-principle approval for Chennai City Partnership – Sustainable Urban Services Program and its Disbursement Linked Indicators.

PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT

STATE PLANNING COMMISSION

Tamil Nadu Innovation Initiatives (TANII) Scheme.

- To encourage a culture of innovation in the Government and various Government Departments, a shelf of 22 proposals worth Rs.87.83 crore in the State Planning Commission.

Tamil Nadu State Land Use Research Board

- State Planning Commission to assess the Land Resources and advice the Government Policy interventions in the areas of land and water resources.
- 7 New Research Studies have been approved at a cost of Rs.116.53 crore.

SPECIAL AREA DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMME

- The Special Area Development Programme, Udhagamandalam covers eleven Districts of The Nilgiris, Coimbatore, Tiruppur, Erode, Dindigul, Madurai, Theni, Virudhunagar, Kanniyakumari, Tenkasi and Tirunelveli.
- 106 works have been completed by the Department of Environment, Climate Change and Forests at a cost of Rs.12.38 crore.
- 84 works have been completed by the Municipal Administration and Water Supply Department at a cost of Rs.9.15 crore.
- 12 works have been completed at Rs.1.47 crore by the Department of Agriculture and Farmers Welfare Department and 65 works have been completed at Rs.16.12 crore by the Agricultural Engineering Department.
- 8 works have been completed by the Animal Husbandry, Dairying, Fisheries and Fishermen Welfare Department at a cost of Rs.45.60 lakh.
- Adi Dravidar and Tribal Welfare Department has provided Rs. 11.50 lakh for the Construction of Kitchen cum Dining Hall for the Government Tribal Residential School at Amaravathi Nagar in Udumalpet Taluk of Tiruppur District for the use of students.
- 3 works have been completed by the Health and Family Welfare Department at a cost of Rs.48 lakh.
- 5 works have been completed by the Industries Department at a cost of Rs.4.72 crore.
- 9 works have been completed by the Public Works Department at a cost of Rs.3.89 crore.
- 15 works have been completed by the Rural Development and Panchayat Raj Department at a cost of Rs.2.24 crore.
- Proposals have been received from the work implementation Departments in 11 Districts for 204 projects at a cost of Rs. 60.20 crore and submitted for Government approval.

EVALUATION AND APPLIED RESEARCH DEPARTMENT

- Evaluation and Applied Research Department has submitted 790 Evaluation Studies to the Government for evidence-based decision making, policy formulation and fine-tuning of the programmes Government from 1974.

- Follow up of children who underwent Cochlear Implant Surgery under Chief Ministers Comprehensive Health Insurance Scheme.
- “Girl Child Protection Scheme” in Tamil Nadu.
- Design Development and Implementation of Unmanned Aerial Vehicles for Disaster and Societal Application.
- Present Status of the Students in Chennai and Kancheepuram Resettlements and the Reasons for Dropout.
- A publication of “Tamil Nadu An Economic Appraisal 2017” has been prepared and is to be published.

HUMAN RESOURCES MANAGEMENT DEPARTMENT

- The Maternity Leave admissible to married women Government employees has been enhanced to 12 months.
- To encourage the Government employees to acquire higher qualifications that will enhance their work efficiency and execution, an incentive for acquiring higher qualifications has been announced.
- Upper age limit for appointment by direct recruitment in Government Services has been increased by two years.
- Orders were issued for giving priority to children who have lost both their parents due to Corona virus, persons who had studied in Government Schools through Tamil Medium and those who are First-generation graduates in the appointment for Government services made through Employment Exchanges.
- Six new Detachments were created in the newly formed Districts i.e.Chengalpattu, Ranipet, Thirupathur, Kallakuruchi, Mayiladuthurai and Tenkasi. Special Investigation Cell in Directorate of Vigilance and Anti-Corruption.
- The existing three ranges were reorganized into five Ranges i.e. Chennai City Range, Central Range, North Range, West Range and South Range and each range is supervised by a Superintendent of Police.
- Tamil Language Paper has been made compulsory as a qualifying examination in all the competitive examinations conducted by the Recruiting Agencies in Tamil Nadu.
- The Tamil Nadu Public Service Commission (Additional Functions) Act and Rules, 2022, have been in the State, for vesting the function of recruitment of certain posts in the State-owned Public Undertakings, State Corporations and Statutory Boards and Authorities under the control of the State Government to the Tamil Nadu Public Service Commission.
- Four members have been appointed to the Tamil Nadu Public Service Commission.
- The system of e-office has been launched in Human Resources Management Department.

TAMIL NADU PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

- The Commission has introduced the Tamil Eligibility Test in all the Examinations.
- The Commission has published 12 Notifications and has conducted 10 Competitive Examinations.
- For the very first time in the Commission’s History, Commission has conducted the Departmental Examinations in the mode of Computer Based Test in all District Centres.
- Grievance Redressal Cum Call Centre (GRCC) has been established to resolve the queries of the candidates.

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Milk and Dairy Development

Hon’ble Minister for Milk & Dairy Development

Thiru. S.M. Nasar

- Aavin milk sale price has been reduced by Rs. 3 per litre. The sale of milk has increased by 3.50 lakh litres per day.
- In Chennai Metro, the ever highest sale of milk reached 14.15 lakh litre per day.
- In District Union, the ever highest sale of milk reached 14.35 lakh litre per day.
- Due to price reduction,1 crore consumers and 450 institutions were benefitted.
- Due to price reduction, Aavin got 6 lakh new consumers which led to an, increase in the turnover.
- Due to price reduction,1 crore consumers will save Rs. 1,643 lakh per annum.
- Aavin has achieved the highest milk procurement of 43.05 lakh litres.

❖ Aavin launched new milk products such as are Premium milk cake, Mango & Strawberry flavoured Yoghurt, Payasam mix, Protein-rich Noodles and Dairy whitener.

❖ On the occasion of the Deepavali festival, Aavin had launched sweet varieties which were made using Aavin ghee. These products were sold with a total value of Rs. 82.11 crore.

❖ Aavin had distributed 2,15,67,122 numbers of 100 ml Ghee Jar, to all Ration card holders in pongal Gift package, for a total value of Rs.120.77 crore.

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Minorities Welfare, Non Resident Tamils Welfare, Refugees & Evacuees and Wakf Board

Hon'ble Minister for Minorities Welfare and Non Resident Tamils Welfare

Thiru. Gingee K.S.Masthan

MINORITIES WELFARE

- Special food to the inmates of minority hostels during minority festivals.
- 1,000 Motorized sewing machines to minority beneficiaries at a cost of Rs.45 lakh.
- Marriage assistance provided to the registered members or Family members of the Denotified Communities Welfare Board, Narikuravar Welfare Board and Ulemas and Employees Welfare Board has been enhanced to Rs.3,000 for men, and Rs. 5,000 for women.
- Minority welfare offices in 5 minority concentrated Districts at a cost of Rs.1.75 crore.
- Orders issued to form 3 Muslim Women Aid Societies in Theni, Krishnagiri and Villupuram Districts and 3 Christian Women Aid Societies in Karur, Madurai and Theni Districts. Rs. 1 lakh was allotted to each society.

- A sum of Rs.1.80 crore has been sanctioned as financial assistance to 4,479 registered members of the Ulemas and Employees Welfare Board.
- Bicycles to 10,583 registered members of the Ulemas and Employees Welfare Board at a cost of Rs.4.76 crore.
- Financial assistance to Nuns/Sisters for Jerusalem Pilgrimage has been enhanced to Rs.60,000.
- Loans to the tune of Rs.36.18 crore have been disbursed to 6,034 Minority beneficiaries through the Tamil Nadu Minorities Economic Development Corporation.
- Under the scheme of Pradhan Mantri Jan Vikas Karyakram (PMJVK) approval has been accorded for implementing 62 projects in 10 Districts of Tamil Nadu at an estimated cost of Rs.615.75 crore (Central share of Rs.369.45 crore and State share of Rs.246.30 crore), in which a sum of Rs.184 crore has been released as 1st instalment.
- An annual administrative grant of Rs.2.50 crore is sanctioned to the Tamil Nadu Wakf Board. Now, orders issued to sanction an incentive at the rate of 5 % additional administrative grant based on the contribution collected by the board.
- Construction of own buildings to 4 zonal offices of Tamil Nadu Wakf board at a cost of Rs. 64 lakh.
- The annual grant for renovation and repairs of Mosques, Dargahs and other Wakf institutions has been enhanced to Rs.6 crore and 70 Wakf institutions are being benefitted.
- In order to safeguard the Wakf properties in Tamil Nadu, Memorandum of Understanding has been signed with Institute of Remote Sensing, Anna University, Chennai, Jawaharlal Technological University, Hyderabad and Department of Geography, University of Madras for GPS/ GIS mapping of 60,000 Wakf properties by using drones.

Rehabilitation and Welfare of Non-Resident Tamils

- 58,547 Sri Lankan Tamils are residing in 106 Rehabilitation camps in Tamil Nadu (including 2 special camps) and 34,122 non-camp Srilankan Tamils are living in the State.
- The Public (RH I) Department has been renamed into "Ayalaga Tamilar Nalan & Maruvalvu thurai Anaiyaragam".
- To change the name of the camps has been changed from "Sri Lankan Refugee camp" to "Sri Lankan Tamils Rehabilitation Camps".
- The State Government had extended all welfare schemes being offered to the people of Tamil Nadu to the Sri Lankan Tamils residing in camps also.

Cashdole

- The monthly cash dole has been enhanced with an additional expenditure of Rs.21.29 crore per year to the State Government.

Clothing

- The procurement rates of the Clothing were enhanced. The clothes were purchased from Co-optex at an additional cost of Rs.4.52 crore and were distributed to 58,614 Sri Lankan Tamils accommodated in the Rehabilitation camps in Tamil Nadu.

Utensils

- As the cooking utensils could not be supplied as per norms fixed by the Union Government, The utensils were purchased at an additional cost of Rs.2.42 crore and were distributed to 18,890 Sri Lankan Tamil families accommodated in the Rehabilitation Camps.

Scholarship to Sri Lankan Tamil Students

- Scholarship provided to the Srilankan Tamil

students has been enhanced to Rs.10,000 for Polytechnic, Rs.12,000 for Bachelor of Arts/Science and Rs.20,000 for Bachelor of professional courses.

- ❖ Total education fees and hostel fees for the first 55 students based on merit in Engineering courses, will be met by the State Government.
- ❖ An amount of Rs.1.53 crore has been released as educational assistance, and at present 1,261 students have got the benefits of the scheme.

Supply of Free Rice

- ❖ Rice will be supplied to Sri Lankan Tamil adults and every Srilankan Tamil child under the age of 8 years living in the Srilankan Tamil Rehabilitation camps free of cost with an additional expenditure of Rs.19 lakh.

Provision of free cooking gas stove and gas cylinder at a subsidised price.

- ❖ An amount of Rs.8.66 crore has been allocated to provide 6,481 Sri Lankan Tamil families accommodated in the Rehabilitation camps who do not have Gas connections with free gas connections and gas stoves and a subsidy for gas cylinders of Rs.1.30 crore has been provided to 16,305 families.

Housing and Basic facilities

- ❖ 7,469 new houses will be constructed. 3,510 new houses will be constructed in the 1st phase as 868 group houses (each group consisting of 4 houses) to be constructed at a cost of Rs.173.60 crore and 38 individual houses at a cost of Rs.2.15 crore to the total cost of Rs.175.75 crore.
- ❖ Rs.17.17 crore have been allocated to construct 321 new houses for the Srilankan Tamils in Thotanuthu village by combining the existing Sri Lankan Tamil camps at Adiyanuthu, Thotanuthu, and Gopalpatti.
- ❖ Rs.30 crore have been allocated to Drinking water facilities, toilet facilities, electricity, and drainage facilities for providing in the camps. In this regard, as a first phase Rs.10 crore has been sanctioned.

Women Self Help Group

- ❖ Community Investment Fund was initially provided to 321 Women Self Help Groups of the Sri Lankan Tamils living in the camps an additional amount of Rs.75,000 is provided to these Self-Help Groups.
- ❖ Rs.1.25 lakh would be sanctioned to newly formed 300 Self Help Groups as Community Investment Fund. 260 new Self-Help Groups have been identified and Rs.3.25 crore is being disbursed through Women Development Corporation.

Covid-19 relief of Rs.4,000 to the Sri Lankan Covid-19 relief of Rs.4000 to the Sri Lankan Tamils living in the Rehabilitation camps

- ❖ Covid cash relief of Rs.4000 has been provided to 18,944 Sri Lankan Tamil families residing in the Rehabilitation Camps, at a cost of Rs.7.58 crore. In addition to that, a grocery kit with 14 items has also been distributed at a cost of Rs.88.08 lakh.

Skill Development Training

- ❖ Skill Development training along with Employment opportunities will be given to 5,000 Sri Lankan Tamil youths to improve their livelihood and employment of the Sri Lankan Tamils staying in the Rehabilitation Camps. Various trainings have been started for 3,289 persons.

The welfare of Sri Lankan Tamils living outside the camp

- ❖ 33,748 Sri Lankan Tamils consisting of 13,443 families have been registered with the local police in Tamil Nadu and allowed to live outside the camp. The Chief Minister's Comprehensive Insurance Scheme has been extended and provides Rs. 4,000 as Covid relief fund.

Advisory Committee for Long term solutions

- ❖ Advisory Committee to explore solutions and address the challenges being encountered by the Sri Lankan Tamils both in and outside the camp.
- ❖ It also envisages exploring the possibility of citizenship to help the Sri Lankan Tamils to return to Sri Lanka, and to propose an action plan for the Government of Tamil Nadu.

The welfare of Non-Resident Tamils

- ❖ The act has been amended and action has been taken to establish the Non-Resident Tamils Welfare Board.
- ❖ Creation of Data Base, Issue of ID card and Insurance scheme.
- ❖ Education and Marriage assistance to the Non-Resident Tamil families having low income.
- ❖ Pre-Departure Orientation Centres in 6 Districts other than Chennai.
- ❖ Creation of a 24x7 Toll-free helpline app and website to give assistance to the Non-Resident Tamils.
- ❖ Formation of Legal cell to assist Non-Resident Tamils

Celebration of World Tamil Diaspora Day

- ❖ Due to the covid pandemic, the World Tamil Diaspora day celebration was done on 12.01.2022 virtually with the theme of "Tamizhal Inaivom". An amount of Rs. 41 lakh have been sanctioned for conducting the cultural shows.

Evacuation of Tamil Students from Ukraine

- ❖ A State Control Room was established immediately and Commissionerate was made in the Nodal Department to coordinate the rescue of Tamil Students from Ukraine with the Minister of External Affairs. Moreover, a high-level delegation with 3 members of Parliament and 1 Member of the Legislative Assembly and 4 I.A.S. officers were delegated to each neighbouring countries to co-ordinate their return.
- ❖ 1,890 students returned to their home towns and Rs.3.26 crore was incurred by the Government of Tamil Nadu.

Overseas Manpower Corporation Ltd.,

- ❖ The Overseas Manpower Corporation Ltd., facilitated overseas placement for 198 candidates in various jobs in countries such as Saudi Arabia, Kuwait, UAE, Oman and Bahrain. The Corporation has engaged 536 persons on contract basis in various jobs in various Government Departments through outsourcing.

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School Education

Hon'ble Minister for School Education

Thiru. Anbil Mahesh Poyyamozhi

- Illam Thedi Kalvi, a flagship remedial education program has been implemented to bridge the learning loss among the students from classes 1 to 8 due to the Covid-19 pandemic. 1,79,356 lakh volunteers of the state are there and 30 lakh students are being benefitted. It has been implemented at a cost of Rs. 199.96 crore.
- Naan Mudhalvan Career Guidance portal was launched to give career guidance to students studying in classes 9 to 12 through well-trained professionals, at a cost of Rs.3.09 crore.
- Awareness was created about the reorganization of the School Management Committee and the duties and responsibilities of the members, in all schools with the participation of 23 lakh parents.
- With an aim of providing access to quality education exclusively for girls belonging to disadvantaged groups Rs.22.83 crore have been spent on 61 KGBV residential schools and 44 girls hostels 9,560 girl students are benefitted through this scheme.
- 1,88,487 dropped out children were identified through a geotagged mobile app and enrolled back in schools.

- Children with special needs are identified at an early stage and they are enrolled in the appropriate classes in order to get continuous education at a cost of Rs.93.12 crore.
- Tamil Nadu secured the Second position at the national level as per the Performance Grading Index in terms of Access, Infrastructure & facilities, Learning Outcomes and Quality, Equity and Governance process.
- The scheme Ennum Ezhuthum Mission will be implemented to improve basic numeracy and literacy for classes 1 to 3 in the state at a cost of Rs.66.70 crore has been allocated.
- At a cost of Rs.34.78 crore, to address learning gaps, bridge course materials, subject-wise workbooks with worksheets that contain video and assessment, and QR codes were provided to access them all digitally.
- Online quizzes were conducted for students studying in Classes 9, 10, 11 & 12 in all 6,177 Government high / higher secondary schools through Hi-tech labs with a total outlay of Rs.30.9 lakh.
- Student Safeguarding Advisory Committees (SSAC) have been mandated to be established in all schools and display Safety Box and Awareness Flex Boards on Prevention of Child Sex Abuse in all schools at a cost of Rs.7.48 crore.
- A special scheme of Model schools is implemented in 10 Districts at a cost of Rs.23.32 crore.
- Maintenance of registers and administrative activities through the EMIS portal reduces the workload of the teachers and gives more time for the teaching-learning process.
- School Grant is given on an annual basis to all Government schools based on the maintenance and repair and for consumables. A sum of Rs.116.28 crore has been given as a school grant.
- To encourage reading habits among students libraries are established in every school at a cost of Rs.31.96 crore.
- To enhance the students' interest in maths was special training provided to 21,570 teachers who are handling the upper primary classes at a cost of Rs.1.04 crore.
- Hi-tech labs are being provided in 1,784 Government middle schools at a cost of Rs.114.17 crore.
- Smart classrooms are being established in 865 Government upper primary schools at a cost of Rs.20.26 crore.
- The state has introduced evening care centres for tribal children from 6 to 10 standards to improve their learning skills and basic level numeracy skill at a higher level. 621 Educational volunteers are appointed and about 28,215 tribal children from 12 Districts are benefitted from this programme. A sum of Rs.9.37 crore has been spent.
- The Classroom Observation App is being utilized to improve classroom learning and teaching methodologies and to develop new approaches to teaching strategies.
- Tamil Nadu won 7 prizes and topped the national level Kalai Thiruvizha for the first time.
- For the welfare of the teachers working in the Government schools, the policy was evolved to conduct the general transfer of teachers transparently.
- The syllabus for the Vocational subject for the standards 11th & 12th has been revamped and streamlined with the guidance of Tamil Nadu Skill Development Corporation.
- The workshop was conducted for the 20 District Educational Officers recruited through Tamil Nadu Public Service Commission.
- Appointment orders were issued for the post of Junior Assistant to the 250 eligible legal heirs of the Government servants who died while in their service period.
- Tamil Nadu Text Book and Educational Services Corporation are executing two translation projects viz., 'Thisaidhorum Dravidam' and 'Muthamizh Arignar Mozhipeyarpu Thittam'.

- Tamil literary texts are being translated into English and other Dravidian languages under 'Thisaidhorum Dravidam'. Tamil texts on 20 topics have been selected for publication.
- Under Thisaidhorum Dravidam and 'Muthamizh Arignar Mozhipeyarpu Thittam' along with 'Comparative grammar of Dravidian languages' book was released.
- 50 stories have been written by the renowned children's writers in Tamil Nadu, will be published as 50 books which will be designed and illustrated.
- To commemorate the celebration of the 150th birthday of V.O.C, 'Pannool Thirattu' and V.O.C's commentary on the Thirukkural was released.
- In view of the death centenary year of Bharathiyar, the collection of Bharathiyar's works titled as 'Manathil Uruthi Vendum' will be distributed to around 37 lakh school children studying in Government & Government aided schools at a cost of Rs.5 crore.
- The book 'Porunai Civilization' was also published in 10,000 copies in Tamil and 5,000 copies in English of this book and 5,000 copies of Keeladi book in English have also been published.
- Arrangements are now being made to obtain Duplicate Certificate, Migration Certificate, Certified Copy of Mark List and Person Studied in Tamil Medium Certificate by applying at the nearby Government E-Service centres.
- Ennum Ezhuthum Programme to benefit 15,89,235 children.
- Kalvi TV transmits educational e-content took on the role of the schools when they remained closed during the COVID-19 pandemic. It has nearly 3.4 crore viewers as of date.
- The Assessment Cell of SCERT has been formed and assessments are being conducted through Hi-Tech labs for the classes 9-12. After the completion of the assessment processes, the data are analyzed and reported for further remedial activities.
- Subject wise workbooks with worksheets have been given to all students studying in Classes 1 to 8.
- Training has been imparted to 555 teachers to use and implement different kinds of storytelling techniques in the Classrooms through which they can teach values. The children of 160 schools will be benefitted through this project at a cost of Rs.1.21 crore.
- Guidelines issued for safety of the students and protection from sexual abuse during the online classes.
- Under the Right of Children to Free and Compulsory Education Act, 56,687 children were admitted and Rs.314.64 crore have been reimbursed to the schools which have admitted children under this category.
- Karpom Ezhuthuvom Iyakkam (Padhna Likhna Abhiyan) has been successfully implemented at a cost of Rs.7.19 crore, is to provide Basic Literacy to adult illiterates 3.19 lakh learners have benefitted and attained basic literacy through Karpom Ezhuthuvom Iyakkam.
- State Literacy Award consisting of an appreciation certificate, memento and medal each have been given to the selected 114 best Learners Literacy Centers.
- The Computer Based Test (CBT) for the recruitment of 1,060 vacancies of Lecturer Government Polytechnic Colleges was conducted and the result was published.
- 2,207 vacancies of Post Graduate Teachers were there and Computer Based Test (CBT) was conducted.
- The online examination for the post of 97 Block Educational Officer was conducted and appointment orders were issued.
- The Tentative Annual Planner for conducting various recruitments by the Teachers Recruitment Board for the year 2022 has been published.
- Ten employees appointed for the posts of Grade - III libraries and junior assistant in the public libraries on compassionate grounds.

- The financial limit on library tax collection has been increased from 6.5% to 15% for the purchase of Newspapers and Periodicals for Public Libraries.
- To provide benefits to 83 employees who are paid from the library fund at the Anna Centenary Library and 551 Grade III librarians who are paid from the library fund at the Local Library Authorities and 353 Village Librarians, the Government has issued.
- Appointment orders for the post of Binders and Binding Assistants in Anna Centenary Library and District Central Libraries have been issued to 31 Visually Challenged persons.
- The Digital Library has been set up with 21,043 books and 2,54,694 manuscript pages of rare books have been digitized. General Public can use this digital library through the website https://tamilnadupubliclibraries.org.
- The details of 7 lakh books have been standardized and uploaded in the union catalogue.
- Under the "Ungal Noolagam Ullangaiyil" project, "TN Employment News" (Mobile App) and the website www.tnemployment.in have been created.
- A high-level committee has been formed to make amendments to the Tamil Nadu Public Libraries Act 1948 and Rules 1950 to suit the current work environment and to improve the functioning of Libraries in the State.
- To purchase Newspapers and Periodicals for Public Libraries, a review committee has been formed.
- A Modern Public Library of international standards in the name of Hon'ble Former Chief Minister Muthamizh Arignar Kalaignar is to be set up at a cost of Rs.114 crore.
- Anna Centenary Library is to be renovated at a cost of Rs.37.82 crore.
- 'Kavimani' award for children writers will be instituted for students up to 18 years. Every year 3 young writers will be identified and honoured with a medal and a certificate of appreciation and a cash prize of Rs.25,000.
- Senthamizh Sirppigal Arangam will be established in Anna Centenary Library at a cost of Rs.40 lakh.
- Books worth Rs.6.5 crore will be procured for the Anna Centenary Library.
- In memory of Dr. S.R.Ranganathan, a Library will be established at his birth place Sirgazhi in Mayiladuthurai District at a cost of Rs.1.32 crore.
- New Library building in the name of "Senna Pulavar R.Karmeganar", a new library will be constructed at a cost of Rs.40 lakh.
- Connemara Public Library will be strengthened at a cost of Rs.3.19 crore.
- 10 new part-time Libraries have been opened in Tiruvallur, Pudukottai, Thanjavur, Nagapattinam, Tiruvarur and Thoothukudi.

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Environment and Pollution Control, Youth Welfare and Sports Development

Hon’ble Minister for Environment - Climate Change and Youth Welfare and Sports Development

Thiru. Siva. V. Meyyanathan

ENVIRONMENT, CLIMATE CHANGE

- Green Tamil Nadu Mission orders issued.
- Tamil Nadu Climate Change Mission set up.
- Tamil Nadu State Wetland Mission set up.
- Tamil Nadu Green Climate Company has been set up.
- Eco Park at Pallikaranai Marshland was inaugurated.
- Meendum Manjapai Campaign was launched as an environment-friendly initiative to avoid plastic bags.
- Climate Studio was operationalised at the Centre for Climate Change and Disaster Management, Anna University with an amount of Rs.3.80 crore.
- The “Blue Flag Award” to the Kovalam Beach.
- The State level Environment Impact Assessment

Authority (SEIAA) has cleared 505 Terms of Reference and Environment Clearances.

- ❖ TNPCB is issuing consents to Red, Orange and Green Category Industries for block years of 5 /10 / 14 Years respectively under the Ease of Doing Business Policy of the Government.

- ❖ Coconut husk processing units are classified under Orange Category and have been brought under the Consent mechanism of the Board so as to protect the environment.

- ❖ Open House started-by all HoD and District Level officers.

- ❖ Received Rs. 920.52 crore fund from JICA for "Tamil Nadu Biodiversity conservation and Greening project for Climate Change Response (TBGPCCR)" for implementation over 8 years period from 2022-2023 to 2029-2030.

YOUTH WELFARE AND SPORTS DEVELOPMENT

- ❖ The Chief Minister's State Youth Award cash prize amount has been enhanced to Rs.1 lakh.

- ❖ A sum of Rs.6 lakh has been sanctioned as a high cash incentive to Ms. S. RidhuVarshini for having secured a Gold medal in a team event in the World Youth Archery Championship held at Wroclaw, Poland.

- ❖ A sum of Rs.2 crore has been sanctioned to Thiru. T. Mariyappan for having secured a Silver medal in the High Jump in the Paralympics 2020 held in Tokyo, Japan.

- ❖ A sum of Rs.92 lakh has been sanctioned to Thiru. Anand Viswanathan, Thiru. VR Aravindh Chithambaram, Thiru.R. Praggnanandhaa, Ms. R. Vaishali and Thiru. Srinath Narayanan (Non-playing captain, coach) in Indian Team in the 1st FIDE online Olympiad Chess Championship 2020 secured Gold Medal.

- ❖ A sum of Rs.57.50 lakh has been sanctioned to Thiru. Anand Viswanathan, Thiru. B. Adhiban, Thiru.R.Praggnanandhaa, Ms. R. Vaishali, Ms. B. Savitha Shri and Thiru. Srinath Narayanan (Men's team coach) and Thiru. M. Shyam Sundar (Women's Team Coach) in Indian Team in the FIDE online Olympiad Chess Championship 2021 secured Bronze Medal.

- ❖ A sum of Rs.20 lakh has been sanctioned as a high cash incentive to Thiru. B. Adhiban for having secured a Gold medal in the FIDE World Team Chess Championship held at Astana, Kazakhstan.

- ❖ A sum of Rs.5 lakh has been sanctioned as a high cash incentive to Thiru. P. Iniyan for having achieved International Grand Master Title in Chess 2019.

- ❖ A sum of Rs.5 lakh has been sanctioned as a high cash incentive to Ms. Srija Seshadri for having achieved the Women's Grand Master Title in Chess 2019.

- ❖ A sum of Rs.5 lakh each has been sanctioned as a high cash incentive to Ms. V. Varshini and Ms. P.V. Nandhidhaa for having achieved Women Grand Master Title in Chess 2020.

- ❖ A sum of Rs.3 lakh each has been sanctioned as a high cash incentive to Thiru. V.S. Rathnavel and Thiru. M. Pranesh for having achieved International Master Title in Chess 2020.

- ❖ A sum of Rs.3 lakh has been sanctioned as a high cash incentive to Ms. B. Savitha Shri for having achieved Women International Master Title in Chess 2021.

- ❖ A sum of Rs.8 lakh has been sanctioned as a high cash incentive to Selvan. H. Bharath

Subramaniyam for having achieved International Master Title in Chess 2019 and Grand Master Title in Chess for the year 2022.

- ❖ A sum of Rs.3.90 crore has been sanctioned as a high cash incentive to medal winners in the Special Olympics World Summer Games held in Los Angeles and Special Olympics World Summer Games held in 2015& 2019 Abu Dhabi, UAE.
- ❖ A sum of Rs.8 lakh has been sanctioned as a high cash incentive to Ms. N. Harsha who had won the medals South Asian Karate Championship held in Dhaka, Bangladesh.
- ❖ A sum of Rs.8 lakh has been sanctioned as a high cash incentive to Thiru. S. Arjun Kalyan who had achieved International Master Title in Chess 2018 and Grand Master Title in Chess 2021.
- ❖ A sum of Rs.2 lakh has been sanctioned as a high cash incentive to Ms. Niveditha V Nair who had won the Bronze medal in the 25m Asian Shooting Championship held at Doha, Qatar.
- ❖ A sum of Rs.83.69 lakh has been sanctioned to the ELITE sportspersons under Special Scholarship Scheme.
- ❖ A sum of Rs.1.40 crore has been sanctioned to the sports persons under Mission International Medal Scheme.
- ❖ A sum of Rs. 3 crore has been sanctioned as High Cash Incentive to Dipika Pallikal Karthik, Saurav Ghosal and Joshana Chinnappa who secured Gold Medals in WSF World Doubles Squash Championships held at Glasgow, Scotland from 5th to 9th April 2022.
- ❖ Ms.S. Dhanalakshmi and Ms. V. Subha (Athletes) participated in the Olympics 2020 held in Tokyo, Japan has been appointed in the Tamil Nadu Power Generation and Distribution Corporation Ltd., and Thiru.T.Mariappan participated in the 2020 Paralympics had won a Silver medal and appointed in the Tamil Nadu Newspaper and Papers Board under sports quota appointment.
- ❖ Silambam one of the traditional and pre-historic Indian martial arts of Tamil Nadu has been included in the 3% sports quota.
- ❖ Construction of Outdoor Sports Stadium at Katpadi in Vellore District at an estimated cost of Rs.16.45 crore.
- ❖ Construction of a New Sports Hostel for girls at the Integrated Sports Complex near Nehru Indoor Stadium, Chennai at an estimated cost of Rs.7.94 crore.

- ❖ Basketball Court, Walker Path, Indoor Stadium for Shuttle, Volleyball and Gymnasium Hall in Stadium Campus at Hosur in Krishnagiri District at a cost of Rs.3.69 crore has been constructed.
- ❖ A sum of Rs.37 lakh for providing additional amenities for completing the Outdoor District Sports Complex at Katpadi in Vellore District.
- ❖ The Government has enhanced the cash incentive to Rs.3 crore for the Gold medal, Rs.2 crore for the Silver medal and Rs.1 crore for the Bronze medal, in the Olympic Games.
- ❖ Tamil Nadu athletes who had represented India in the Tokyo Olympics and Paralympics 2020 were sanctioned an amount of Rs.5 lakh each and a total special cash incentive of Rs.55 lakh.
- ❖ A sum of Rs.5 lakh to Ms. C.A. Bhavani Devi for having been selected to represent India in the Tokyo Olympics 2021.
- ❖ At Tamil Nadu Physical Education and Sports University. The following were constructed.
  - Centre of Excellence in Badminton Academy at a cost of Rs. 13.33 crore.
  - Centre of Excellence in Table Tennis Academy at a cost of Rs. 12.60 crore.
  - Hostel for 400 students at a cost of Rs.14.59 crore.
  - Centre of Excellence in Bio Mechanics Laboratory at a cost of Rs. 13.12 crore.
  - Traditional Kalaripayattu and Silambam Training Centre at a cost of Rs. 1.60 crore.
  - Dining Hall with kitchen at a cost of Rs. 51.72 lakh.
  - Parking shed for 210 two-wheelers and 25 four-wheelers at a cost of Rs. 73 lakh.
- ❖ Administrative sanction is accorded for a sum of Rs. 92.13 crore and financial Sanction for a sum of Rs. 40 crore as the initial corpus for the successful conduct of the 44th International Chess Olympiad at Chennai.

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Labour Welfare, Population, Employment and Training, Census, Urban and Rural Employment

Hon'ble Minister for Labour Welfare and Skill Development

Thiru. C.V. Ganesan

- The strike was called off in 11 industries and the rights and interests of 5,364 workers were protected through conciliation talks made by the conciliation officers.
- One Lock-Out was called off through conciliation talks made by conciliation officers and the rights and interests of 140 workers were protected.
- 2,616 industrial disputes were disposed, out of which, 979 disputes were disposed amicably.
- New Wage Settlement for the employees of the Bata India Limited, Hosur, nearly 102 employees have benefitted from this settlement.
- Female contract workers at Foxconn Hon Hai Technology India Mega Development Pvt. Ltd., Kancheepuram District, the strike was called off on the promise of fulfilling the demands of the workers.

The company started production and 3,931 people worked in a quiet environment.

- NTPC Tamil Nadu Energy Company Limited, Tiruvallur District, 2012 contract workers are demanding wage revision. Talks were held on 14.02.2022 and the issues were resolved amicably.
- Amendment has been made to The Tamil Nadu Shops and Establishments (Amendment) Act, to provide seating facility for all the employees on the premises of every establishment.
- Minimum Wages have been newly fixed for 5 employments and have been revised for 6 employments.
- The Child and Adolescent Labour (Prohibition and Regulation) Act, 37,948 establishments were inspected in all districts. 311 child labourers were rescued and all of them were handed over to their parents through the Child Welfare Committee.
- A sum of Rs.49.40 lakh has been paid as immediate assistance to 245 rescued bonded labourers.
- The Government has issued orders to distribute dry ration kits containing 15 kg Rice, 1 kg Dal and 1 kg cooking oil to 1,29,444 Inter-State Migrant workers who lost their employment and do not have ration cards during the COVID-19 2nd wave Lockdown has been allocated Rs. 6.66 crore for this purpose.
- Under the Legal Metrology Act, 42,125 inspections were made and 3,123 cases were compounded for various offences and an amount of Rs.29.59 lakh was levied by way of compounding and court cases. Rs.59.71 crore have been collected as the Stamping fee and Rs.44.75 lakh have been collected as the License fee.
- 11,083 establishments were inspected and 909 cases were compounded, an amount of Rs.47.58 lakh was collected by way of compounding and disposal of Court cases and Rs.4.99 lakh has been collected as Registration fee.
- 10,17,481 workers in unorganized workers welfare boards have been newly registered and Rs.247.49 crore had been disbursed to 1,85,660 beneficiaries as welfare assistance.
- Tamil Nadu Construction Workers Welfare Board has been reconstituted.
- Housing Facilities Scheme to the registered workers of Tamil Nadu Construction Workers Welfare Board was introduced.
- 5 New ACL (SSS) Offices in the Districts of Chengalpattu, Kallakurichi, Tenkasi, Ranipet and Mayiladuthurai at a cost of Rs.36.32 crore were formed.
- "Tamil Nadu Cooking Food Workers Welfare Board" was renamed as "Tamil Nadu Cooking and Catering Workers Welfare Board".
- Educational assistance of Rs.1000 per year to the children of registered construction workers studying 6th to 9th standard was introduced.
- Educational assistance was enhanced to Rs.2,400 per year for 10th standard studying girl children and 10th standard passed children of registered construction workers.
- Educational assistance was enhanced to Rs.3,000 per year for 11th & 12th standard studying girl children and 12th standard passed children of registered construction workers.
- Educational assistance was enhanced to Rs.4,000 per year for the wards of construction workers studying bachelor's degree in the regular stream and studying bachelor's degree in regular stream staying at the hostel.

❖ Natural Death Assistance to the families of deceased construction workers registered in Tamil Nadu Construction Workers Welfare Board was enhanced to Rs.50,000.

❖ "Tamil Nadu unorganized Drivers Welfare Board" was renamed as "Tamil Nadu unorganized Drivers and Automobile Workshop Workers Welfare Board".

❖ Provision of Educational Assistance to the children of registered workers of Tamil Nadu unorganized Drivers and Automobile Workshop Workers Welfare Board, studying 6th to 9th standard was created.

❖ Educational Assistance was enhanced to Rs.4,000 per year for the wards of Tamil Nadu unorganized Drivers and Automobile Workshop Workers Welfare Board for studying Bachelor's degree in the regular stream and also for studying Bachelor's degree in the regular stream staying at the hostel.

❖ Accidental Death Assistance in case of accidental death of Tamil Nadu's unorganized Drivers and Automobile Workshop Workers Welfare Board was enhanced to Rs.2 lakh and Natural Death assistance was enhanced to Rs.50,000.

❖ Safety kits were provided to 85,000 registered drivers of Tamil Nadu unorganized Drivers and Automobile Workshop Workers Welfare Board.

❖ Provision of Educational Assistance of Rs.1,000 per year to the workers registered in Tamil Nadu Manual Workers Social Security Welfare Board and other 15 boards for their children studying in 6th to 9th standard was created.

❖ Accidental Death Assistance in case of accidental death of workers registered in the Tamil Nadu Manual Workers Social Security Welfare Board and other 15 boards was enhanced to Rs.1.25 lakh and Natural Death assistance was enhanced to Rs.30,000.

❖ Tamil Nadu Academy of Construction (TAC) has been established to enhance the skill, ability and knowledge of the workers employed in the construction work. 1,095 Construction workers have been imparted training.

❖ Tamil Nadu has achieved 72,47,890 registrations of unorganized Workers in the eSHRAM portal.

❖ Tamil Nadu achieved 3rd Position at all India levels for registration of unorganized

Workers in the eSHRAM Portal through CSC.

DIRECTORATE OF INDUSTRIAL SAFETY AND HEALTH

- ❖ 1,677 factories have been newly registered under the Factories Act, 1948.
- ❖ 1,271 construction establishments have been newly registered under the Building and Other Construction Workers Act.
- ❖ 8,545 Factories have been inspected, 1,307 cases have been filed and at a cost of Rs.1.22 crore has been imposed.
- ❖ Since the production of firecrackers is carried out in full swing during the Diwali festival season, 780 squad inspections have been conducted in the Virudhunagar district.
- ❖ Safety Training classes are being conducted on the factory premises for creating awareness about the importance of safe working practices in fireworks factories 495 safety classes have been conducted benefitting 18,559 workers, 92 safety awareness campaigns have been conducted and 4,162 workers have been benefitted.
- ❖ 7,624 inspections have been conducted in factories in which 21 child and adolescent workers have been identified and Fine amount of Rs. 40,000 was imposed through court.

DEPARTMENT OF EMPLOYMENT AND TRAINING

- ❖ 71,989 jobseekers including 844 Differently - abled candidates got placements.
- ❖ 47,640 Job seekers have registered on the Tamil Nadu Private Job Portal.Vacancies were notified by 748 Employers in which 9,608 Job seekers were placed through this Portal.
- ❖ 465 coaching classes were conducted and 598 candidates were placed through study circles.
- ❖ 1,67,758 Competitive exam aspirants have registered in the Virtual Learning System portal.
- ❖ Special Renewal Concession was given for the candidates who failed to renew Employment Registration during 2014-2019, 7,67,469 candidates availed of this renewal concession.
- ❖ Rs.27.48 crore were disbursed to 55,342 candidates and Rs.14.42 crore were disbursed benefitting 14,420 Differently-abled candidates under the unemployment

assistance scheme for the unemployed youth.

- New Government Industrial Training Institute (ITI) in Neyveli with the support of M/S. NLC India Limited was inaugurated and four courses commenced with 104 students.
- 3 hostel buildings at Sivagangai, Karaikudi and Trichy were inaugurated at a cost of Rs.9.60 crore.
- District Skill Training Offices have been formed in Tenkasi, Chengalpet, Thiruvarur and Ranipet Districts.
- An IT Monitoring Cell has been established at the headquarters and regional level to monitor and support in IT-related activities of this Department.

TAMIL NADU SKILL DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION

- All the skill training conducted by various Government departments in the State will be integrated through the Tamil Nadu Skill Development Corporation portal.
- A Memorandum of Understanding was signed between the Tamil Nadu Skill Development Corporation and the British Council to strengthen educational and cultural cooperation.
- MoUs have been signed with 12 Sector Skill Councils to standardise the skilling ecosystem, identify gaps, share information on emerging areas of need and technological advancement and assess the quality of training.
- 'Naan Mudhalvan' project as a new initiative for school college students and youth. The primary objective of this program is to enhance the education, knowledge and skills of 5 lakh youth across Tamil Nadu every year.
- The State won 23 medals in the India Skills competition and was ranked 5th in the country. The winners of the India Skills competition from the State were honoured with cash awards 2 Gold medalists were given Rs.1 lakh each, 8 Silver medalists were given Rs.50,000 each, 8 Bronze medalists and 5 excellence medalists were presented with Rs.25,000 each.

DIRECTORATE OF MEDICAL AND RURAL HEALTH SERVICES

- A new ESI Dispensary at Bhavani, Erode District was opened for the welfare of 3,211 Insured persons and their family members.
- Three Regional Administrative Medical Offices at Trichy, Tirunelveli and Vellore were newly formed.
- Opening of a new ESI Dispensary in Bargur, Krishnagiri District at a cost of Rs.2.16 crore for the benefit of 8,307 employees and their family members.
- Opening of Yoga and Naturopathy units in all the 7 ESI Hospitals at Ayanavaram, Madurai, Sivakasi, Salem, Hosur, Trichy and Vellore at a cost of Rs.1.45 crore for the welfare of insured persons and their family members.
- The New ESI Dispensaries at Budhalur and Pattukottai in Thanjavur District were opened for the benefit of 2,853 insured persons and 2,079 insured persons and their family members respectively.
- Rs.12 crore for the reimbursement of medical expenses to insured persons for the current financial year.
- Opening of a new ESI Dispensary in Yercaud, Salem District at a cost of Rs.84.22 lakh for the benefit of insured persons and their family members.

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Hon'ble Chief Minister graced the Christmas Celebrations on 20.12.2021

Hon'ble Chief Minister participated in the Ramzan function held at Kolathur, Chennai and handed over welfare assistance to Muslims on 28.04.2022.

Information Technology

Hon'ble Minister for Information Technology

Thiru. T. Mano Thangaraj

Information Technology Promotion and Development

- Hon'ble Chief Minister of Tamil Nadu laid down the vision for Tamil Nadu and underlined the need for Governments to transform and swiftly adopt technology to keep pace with the rapid and swift changes in technology, took part in "Pan IIT event Global Virtual Technology Summit 2021".

CONNECT' 2021

- ELCOT on behalf of the Government of Tamil Nadu as Host participated in CONNECT' 2021 and showcased the potential of Tamil Nadu in the ICT sector.
- MEPZ-SEZ Chennai in Export Excellence Awards Ceremony, ELCOSEZ Sholinganallur, Chennai got 1st position in Highest Annual Exports and 2nd position in Highest Annual Employment.
- ELCOSEZ Coimbatore got 1st position in Highest Annual Investment and 2nd position in Highest Annual Employment.
- Nunnarangu-21, a one-day Hybrid Conclave on a Role of AI & Data Science in the future growth of Tamil Nadu

and a platform for Government, Industries, Startups and Academia to come together and exchange knowledge and strategies for implementing AI for social good.

Tamil Nadu Data Centre Policy – 2021

- “Data Center Policy-2021” with a vision to develop Tamil Nadu as the numero uno destination for Data Centres by catering to all the specific requirements of Data Centres and providing them with an attractive business environment.

Tamil Nadu Telecom Infrastructure Policy, 2022

- Tamil Nadu Telecom Infrastructure Policy for grant of Right of Way (RoW) for laying OFC and installation of Base Tower Station (BTS) in the State of Tamil Nadu.
- The Information Technology Department has formulated Tamil Nadu Telecom Infrastructure Policy (TTIP), 2022.
- To provide seamless coverage, especially in rural and remote areas and to provide seamless connectivity to the citizens by easing the process of application, approval and installation of Telecom Infrastructure in the State.

Tamil Nadu Data Policy, 2022

- The Information Technology Department has formulated Tamil Nadu Data Policy (TNDP), 2022.

Reference Standards Ver. 1.0

- To lay down the standards for data for all Government Applications which are offered online and through mobile apps and to ensure the security of data maintained by these applications and to protect them from a data breach or other cyber threats, a Reference Standards Version 1.0 for Data / Security has been prepared and published for adherence by Government Departments.

e-Office

- 9,941 users under 61 organisational units under the control of the Government of Tamil Nadu are using e-Office.

e-Munnetram

- A High-Level Committee chaired by the Chief Secretary periodically monitors the progress of about 200 major infrastructure projects, together costing more than Rs.100 crore.

IT Nanban

- The IT Nanban initiative shall enable all IT/ITES companies in the State to directly interact and contribute to the policy making.

State Family Database

- SFDB acts as a centralized repository of resident data that collects and maintains the most current, relevant, and comprehensive data, and helps in policy making and monitoring.

Tamil First - Bilingual Websites of Government of Tamil Nadu

- As a part of its TAMIL FIRST policy, the Government of Tamil Nadu has developed websites that can be accessed by people in both Tamil and English.

E-Paarvai

- E-Paarvai app won the NASSCOM Game Changer Awards.
- In the recent 75@75 India’s AI Journey report published by Digital India and MeiTY, TNeGA has the highest number (3) (e-Parvai, FRS, Uzhavan App) of projects out of all Government projects (19).

MoU with Chennai Mathematical Institute

- A Memorandum of Understanding between TNeGA and Chennai Mathematical Institute to create the necessary capabilities & analytical framework for the Tamil Nadu Decision support system - DeTN was signed.

Chief Minister Dashboard

- Portal featuring Predictive Analysis and using Real Time Data to monitor projects, enable prompt decision making and avoid delays.

Data Purity

- Evidence-based Planning of socio-economic development processes relies on quality data. There is a general need to facilitate sharing and utilization of the large amount of data generated and residing among the entities of the Government of Tamil Nadu.

Academic

- 10 new contact centres have been set up in Italy, Mozambique, USA, Oman and India.
- Information Technology Department had released the book “Approaches towards the evolution of Tamil Computing” on behalf of Tamil Virtual Academy for the benefit of the students of the Universities, Colleges and researchers.
- A drawing competition titled ‘Kuraloviyam’ was conducted for school and college students in Tamil Nadu with the theme ‘Thirukkural’. 365 of the best paintings have been selected and it has been printed as a daily calendar book and published for public use.

Research and Development

- Hon’ble Chief Minister of Tamil Nadu had launched “Keezhadi Keyboard” and “Tamizhi Unicode Converter” which are developed by Tamil Virtual Academy.

Bharat Net project

- Information Technology Department declared Tamil Nadu FibreNet Project (BharatNet Phase-II Project) as an “Infrastructure Project” and issued orders for clearance of Right of Way (RoW) for project execution and operation of TANFINET.
- The project has been divided into four packages namely A, B, C & D comprising a group of Districts. Master Service Agreement (MSA) was executed with the successful bidders of packages A, C & D.

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Hon’ble Chief Minister during the signing of MoU at CONNECT 2021 Conference on 26.11.2021.

Tourism and Tourism Development Corporation

Hon'ble Minister for Tourism

Dr. M. Mathiventhan

DEPARTMENT OF TOURISM

- The 'Tourism Destination Development Scheme' was launched.
- The integrated and holistic approach of the Master Plan for 300 destinations across the state has been prepared.
- "Revival plan for Tourism Sector in Tamil Nadu" after lockdown of Covid-19.
- The Government of Tamil Nadu formed a committee to study the feasibility of the development of dam sites as tourist attractions.
- Beachfront development at the island area of the Mudaliarkuppam Boat House at a cost of Rs.50 lakh.
- 'State Tourism Awards' to be given to various stakeholders associated with the tourism industry.
- To promote Ayyan Thiruvalluvar's glory globally and to attract enhanced tourist visits to Kanniyakumari, a 3D projection mapping system will be installed at a cost of Rs.10.22 crore.

- Periodical maintenance of the Ayyan Thiruvalluvar Statue at Kanniyakumari, at a cost of Rs.1 crore.
- The Government of Tamil Nadu has reconstituted the existing “Tamil Nadu Advisory Committee” as the “Tamil Nadu Tourism Promotion and Development Committee”.
- For setting up an eco-adventure resort and camping site at Kolli Hills at a cost of Rs.2.23 crore.
- Transformation of Jawwadhu Hills as a prime tourist destination at a cost of Rs.2.91 crore.
- As a part of the ‘75th Suthanthira Thirunaal Amudha Peruvizha’ initiative, 75 promotional videos on various digital media platforms on these themes has been published to demonstrate the myriad tourism offerings of the state.
- Tamil Nadu Tourism incorporated emerging technologies like Artificial Intelligence and Virtual reality for the creation of AR / VR based booklets and pamphlets to promote the tourist destinations of the state.
- Tourism Department participated in the “OTM” at Mumbai.
- Tamil Nadu Tourism sponsored for “75th Suthanthira Thirunall Amudha Peruvizha” at Krishnagiri District.
- Tamil Nadu Tourism Department participated in the “TTF-Chennai” (Travel and Tourism Fair) at Chennai Trade Centre, Chennai.
- Tamil Nadu Tourism participated in the “Book Fair & Exhibition” at Thiruvallur District.
- Tamil Nadu Tourism sponsored for “Mangaladevi Kannagi Kovil Festival” at Theni District.
- Tamil Nadu Tourism sponsored “Chithirai Festival-2022” at Madurai.
- Tamil Nadu Tourism sponsored “Book Fair-2022” at Sivagangai.
- Tamil Nadu Tourism participated “WOW Tamil Nadu Awards-2021” at Chennai.
- TTDC conducted Heritage Cycling Trails in association with cycling Yogis.

Taking part in International and Indian Tourism events

- Tourism Department participated in the 2nd virtual edition of “E-Conclave on Travel, Tourism & Hospitality”.
- Tamil Nadu Tourism participated in the “7th International Tourism Conclave & Travel Award (ITICA)”.
- Tamil Nadu Tourism participated in the “newindia.travel- setting the stage for the next normal” Mamallapuram.
- Tourism Department has participated in the “TTF (Travel & Tourism Fair)” at Kolkatta.
- Tourism Department participated in the “First South Indian Conference on Health and Tradition Medicine” in Chennai.
- Tourism Department participated in the “Indian International Travel Mart” in Chennai.
- Tamil Nadu Tourism represented India at the Mexico Hot Air Balloon Festival, which took place in Leon.
- Tamil Nadu Tourism bagged three awards at the India Today Tourism Conclave & Awards 2021 held in New Delhi. The Best Mountain Destination Award was won by Coonoor, Nilgiris District and Kolli Hills, Namakkal District secured the runner-up spot for the Most Scenic Road Award.
- Tourism Department participated in the “India International Trade Fair” in New Delhi.
- Tamil Nadu Tourism participated in the “India International Travel Mart” at Pune.
- Tamil Nadu Tourism participated in the “India Travel Mart” at Jaipur.
- Tamil Nadu Tourism participated in the Dubai Expo and showcased the tourism destinations and experiences of the state.
- Tamil Nadu Tourism sponsored the “Covelong Classic 2021” at Kovalam.
- Tamil Nadu Tourism sponsored “Wow Tamil Nadu 2022”, an online photography and videography contest.
- Tourism Department has celebrated the “World Tourism Day”.
- Tamil Nadu Tourism has sponsored the “75th Suthanthira Thirunaal Amudha Peruvizha (STAP)” at Vellore.

- The Indian Dance Festival at Mamallapuram was celebrated.
- Tamil Nadu Tourism has participated in the "World Expo 2020" in Dubai.
- Tamil Nadu Tourism sponsored the "Jallikattu Festival" organized at Kumarapalayam.
- Tamil Nadu Tourism sponsored the "Republic Day Celebration" at Pachal village, Tirupathur District.
- Tamil Nadu Tourism sponsored the "Keeladi Archeology Exhibition" organized in Chennai.
- Tamil Nadu Tourism sponsored the "Chennai Photo Biennale 2021" held in Chennai.

Tamil Nadu Tourism Development Corporation Limited

- Upgradation of 8 rooms in Hotel Tamil Nadu, Ranipet at an estimate cost of Rs.28.80 lakh.
- Upgradation of bar and toilet block at Hotel Tamil Nadu, Madurai-II at an estimate cost of Rs.25.10 lakh.
- Removing of weeds and aquatic plants in the entire boating lake at Boat House, Yercaud at an estimate cost of Rs.15 lakh.
- Improvement works in 11 rooms at Hotel Tamil Nadu, Coimbatore at an estimate cost of Rs.10.25 lakh.
- Purchase of 2 numbers of 4 Seater Speed Boat with 50 HP OBM at Boat House, Pykara at an estimate cost of Rs.20.68 lakh.
- Purchase of 2 numbers of 60 HP OBM and 10 numbers of 9.9 HP OBM at Boat House, Pykara at an estimate cost of Rs.34.55 lakh.
- Purchase of various types of Boats and OBM's, Lifebuoy and Life Jackets at Boat House, Valankulam, Coimbatore at an estimate cost of Rs.31.92 lakh.
- Purchase of 8 numbers of various types of Boats at Boat House, Muttukadu, Mudaliyarkuppam and Kodaikkanal at an estimate cost of Rs.4.42 lakh.
- Purchase of 10 numbers of 2 seater and 4 seater pedal boat at Boat House, Yercaud at an estimate cast of Rs.9.68 lakh.
- TTDC has earned the revenue of Rs.11.68 crore through online booking of 22 TTDC hotels across Tamil Nadu and package Tours conducted by TTDC.
- TTDC has received 2,032 bookings from OTA platforms and earned about Rs.70 lakh.
- TTDC has revamped their online website www.ttdconline.com and made it more responsive and user friendly.
- TTDC has introduced a feedback mechanism system at all Hotel Tamil Nadu properties for obtaining feedback of customers. The feedback has helped to devise effective strategies to provide better services to tourists who stay at TTDC hotels. TTDC received 540 customer reviews and feedback.
- TTDC has developed Virtual 3D tours of UNESCO World Heritage Sites (5) of Tamil Nadu by incorporating emerging technologies like Virtual reality and 3D mapping.
- TTDC has upgraded the servers for better functioning of E-Governance system implemented for TTDC.
- TTDC has launched various social media marketing initiatives on Twitter, Facebook, Instagram, Youtube etc. Through this campaign in Facebook, the events of tourism have reached more than 46 lakh people.
- 5 new tour packages have been introduced to operate from Madurai.
- 100% Utilization of "Seegra Dharshan" Tickets of TTDC (Thirumala Thirupathi).
- Aggressive Marketing of our package tours in Social Media like Twitter, Facebook etc., as promotion.
- In order to create awareness about various historical monuments in Chennai, TTDC has launched Heritage walks themed around history and heritage in collaboration with renowned historians.
- The World Disability Day, TTDC partnered with Madras Photo Bloggers, Nam Veedu Nam Ooru Nam Kadhai and Sony Alpha to organize an inclusive photography tour at Mamallapuram The event encouraged persons with disabilities to travel and pursue their passion for photography.

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Hon'ble Chief Minister flagged off there by sending republic day decorated vehicles for display to Districts on 26.01.2022.

Hon'ble Chief Minister interacted and took selfie with the school students who came to view the tableau that participated in the Chennai Republic Day Parade on 21.02.2022.

Hon'ble Minister for Adi Dravidar Welfare

Tmt.N.Kayalvizhi Selvaraj

Adi Dravidar Welfare, Hill Tribes and Bonded Labour Welfare

- To enhance opportunities for students belonging to Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes to pursue higher education, the scheme for scholarships to study abroad has been revamped in such a way to provide training to 500 students to face 4 qualifying examinations such as TOEFL / IELTS / GRE / GMAT and to award scholarships to 10 students who got admitted in educational institutions abroad to continue their studies. The parental income ceiling has also been increased to Rs. 8 lakh.
- The scheme for incentives to full-time PhD scholars has been restructured by enhancing the amount of incentive to Rs.1 lakh per annum. 1,600 students to be benefitted.
- The monthly miscellaneous expenditure allowance provided to hostel students has been doubled to Rs.100 for schools students and Rs.150 for college students.

- To protect the legal rights of Adi Dravidar and Scheduled Tribes at the state level and to address their important issues, "Tamil Nadu Adi Dravidar and Tribal Welfare Commission" was created with an autonomous powers.
- Awareness camps on "we will see equality" are being conducted for police and revenue officials, to approach victims of atrocities, from a social perspective and provide proper relief and guarantee a prosperous future.
- Rs.10 lakh each to 111 villages where caste free burial grounds are in use, for improving the infrastructure.
- Compensation paid to the victims of atrocities has been increased to a minimum of Rs.1 lakh and a maximum of Rs.12 lakh.
- Construction of 480 new classrooms and 15 science laboratories in 150 Adi Dravidar Welfare schools at a cost of Rs.100 crore.
- Construction of 65 additional classroom buildings and compound walls in 39 Government Scheduled Tribe Residential Schools at a cost of Rs.21.09 crore.
- A sum of Rs.30.30 crore has been accorded towards a 90% grant to avail electricity connection under the Fast Track Power Supply scheme to 1,000 Adi Dravidar and Scheduled Tribe farmers.
- Construction of own buildings to Adi Dravidar Girls PG hostel in Vellore, Adi Dravidar college girls' hostels in Dindivanam, Villupuram District and Maravaneri in Salem District at a cost of Rs.10.75 crore.
- Construction of Compound walls to 13 Adi Dravidar Welfare schools at a cost of Rs.4 crore.
- Construction of toilets in 31 Government Scheduled Tribe Residential Schools at a cost of Rs.4.50 crore.
- The maintenance allowance provided to the students under State Government Special Post Matric scholarship has been enhanced to match the allowance provided by the Union Government.
- Sanction has been accorded for opening 3 new college girls' hostels in Virudhachalam, Kallakurichi and Nagapattinam at a cost of Rs.2 crore.

- Special Feeding charges given to hostel students during the festival days have been doubled to Rs.40 for school students and Rs.80 for college students.
- Subsidy of Rs.15,000 each to 2,000 Adi Dravidar and Tribal Welfare farmers for the purchase of PVC pipes for water irrigation at a cost of Rs.3 crore.
- Subsidy of Rs.10,000 each to 2,000 Adi Dravidar and Tribal Welfare farmers for the purchase of new Electric Motor for water irrigation at a cost of Rs.2 crore.
- Training in the fields of Horticulture, Agro forestry, Nursery plants and maintenance and repairs of agro machineries are imparted to 5,000 Adi Dravidar and Tribal Welfare farmers at a cost of Rs.1.70 crore.
- Entrepreneur Management training to 5,000 entrepreneurs belonging to Adi Dravidar and Scheduled Tribes is being imparted at a cost of Rs.2 crore.
- The Assistance provided to the members of the Tamil Nadu scavengers welfare board has been enhanced on par with the assistance given to the other welfare boards.
- A bank loan for a sum of Rs. 328.50 crore was sanctioned for 10,535 SC/ST beneficiaries and Rs.96.39 crore has been released towards subsidies to set up micro enterprises under Economic Development Schemes for SC/ST.
- Construction of houses for 443 homeless Irula Scheduled Tribes in Kancheepuram District, at a cost of Rs.19.38 crore.

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Hon'ble Chief Minister was given a warm welcome by the residents of Paruthipattu Narikuravar on 15.04.2022.

Hon'ble Chief Minister feeds a little girl and expressed happiness while having food in their Paruthipattu Narikuravar home on 15.04.2022.

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